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MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Citty of N: Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye said Citty on Wensday the 24th day of March Anno Dom 1696[-7]

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Johannes Kip
Brandt Schuyler
Robert Darkins
Leonard Lewis } ESqrs Aldermen
Phillip French
ISaac D: Riemer
Jeremiah Tothil
John Windower } Assistants

Upon Reading the Reporte of ye Committee Appointed the 17th day of Novbr last to make A true and Perfect Representation of what have been ye Rights and Priviledges of this Citty & what may be Needfull to Address his Majesty &c: Itt is Ordered that the Said Reporte be Recorded with the Papers thereunto Annexed that is to Say An Address to the King with the Reasons for the Repealing the Bolting Act.

[256] Citty of N: Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Fryday the 2d day of April 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Johannes Kip
Brandt Schuyler
Robt Darkins
Leonard Lewis
Thomas Turneur } ESqrs Aldermen
Phillip French
Jeremiah Tothil
Peter Oblimis } Assistants

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The Mayor Acquainted this board that he was Served with A Coppy Of A Petition of Matthew Clarkson to his Excell the Governour and Council Desiring he may have the Kings Grant for About 300 foot in length of Ground Near or before the Ferry from High water to Low water Marke whereupon the Coppy of the Said Petition was read with an Order of Council Endorsed thereon in these words following (Viz!) Att A Council held att his Majesties Forte In New Yorke April y^e 1^st 1697 Present his Excell Benjamin Fletcher &c: the Above Petition being Read itt is ORDERED that the Citty of New Yorke be Served with A Coppy thereof forthwith that if they have Any thing to offer Against the Granting thereof they may make their objections on Thursday next ℔ Order David Jameson Ct Concilii

[257] ORDERED that the Recorder doe Examine what Right or Pretence the Citty has to the Premisses and make Reporte thereof with all Speed And also Draw A Petition of Supplication to his Excell and Council to Order his Maj^ts Grant for all the Ground from High water to Low water Marke from y^e Wallbout to the Red Hooke.

Citty of N: Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of y^e Said Citty on saturday the 3^d day of April 1697.

Present William Merrett ESq^r Mayor
James Graham ESq^r Recorder
Johannes Kip
Brandt Schuyler
Robert Darkins
Leonard Lewis
Thomas Turneur } ESq^rs Aldermen
Phillip French
Peter Oblimis } Assistants

The Recorder According to the Order of this board Yesterday Reported the Right and Pretence this Citty hath to the Ferry and also Drew the Petition to his Excell which is Agreeable to the said Order and hereafter Recorded.

ORDERED that the Mayor Alderman Kip and M^r French doe waite Upon his Excell with the Said Petition

ORDERED that the Mayor doe fee M^r Emett or Any other Council to Appear att y^e Council board Next Thursday to Defend the Cittys Right to the Ferry & that the Mayor Sign A Warrant to the Treasurer for the Same.

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[258] Coppy of the Secretaries Petition & Order thereon

To His Excell Benjamin Fletcher Capt Genll & Governour in Chiefe of the Province of New Yorke &c: & the Honble Council

The humble Petition of Matthew Clarkson
Most humbly Sheweth.

That Whereas there is A Certaine Quantity of Land Unappropriated in Nassaw Island Near or before the Ferry being from High water to Low water Marke Your Petitioner Most humbly Prayeth that *that* he may have his Majesties Grant for About 300 foot in length with as Moderate A Quitt Rent as Your Excell and Honours Shall thinke fitt that Your Petitioner will be obliged to Erect Convenient wharfs and Slips to the Streets now Att the Ferry which will be most for Landing & putting Into Boats Goods & Passengers that Shall Cross the Ferry of New Yorke And Your Petitioner Shall Ever Pray &c: M: Clarkson.

Copia Vera
David Jameson Ct Concilii

Att A Council held att his Majesties Forte In New Yorke April ye 1st 1697

Present His Excell Benjamin Fletcher &c:

The Petition being read itt is Ordered that the Citty of New Yorke be Served with A Coppy thereof forthwith that if they Have Any thing to offer Agt the Granting thereof they may Make their Objections on Thursday Next

℔ Order
David Jameson Ct Concilii

[259] Cittys Answer To His Excellencies favourable Reference

May itt Please Your Excellency

With humble Acknowledgment of Your Excellencies favourable Reference to ye within Petition The Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of his Majesties said Citty of New Yorke doe humbly Represent unto Your Excellency the Loading & Landing Place of the Ferry from this Citty on Nassaw Island hath been Commonly Esteemed & Reputed for these Sixty Years past to Extend from A heap of Rock Stones Gathered together on A Small wharfe att the Sd place Unto the Hill to the Westward of the same. and that from High water to Low water Marke for the Accommodation of all Passengers & Travellers to and from

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this Citty as well as for y^e^ loading & unloading of wheat and other Provisions which are Accustomed to be there loaded in the Ferry boats for y^e^ Subsistance of the Inhabitants of this Citty att all times of Tide as itt Consists with the Conveniency of those that are Minded So to doe which Right this Citty Holds & Enjoys by Vertue of A Grant from Coll Thomas Dongan Late Governor of this Province Sealed with the Seale of the Province y^e^ 27^th^ day of April 1686 And Since his Majesties happy Accession to the Crown Confirmed unto them by An Act of Gen^ll^ Assembly of this Province which is humbly offered as a Reasonable & Lawfull Objection Ag^t^ the said Grant the Land Requested being the Same Used for the Accommodation of the said Ferry which wee humbly pray Your Excell may take into Your Serious Consideration which

[260] Shall be Ever Acknowledged by

May itt Please Your Excellency

Your Excellencies most Obedient Servants

To His Excell Benjamin Fletcher Cap^t^ Generall And Governour in Chiefe of his Majesties Province of New Yorke And all the Territories & Tracts of Land Depending thereon in America and Vice Adm^ll^ of the Same &c:

The humble Petition of y^e^ Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of his Majesties Citty & Corporation of New Yorke.

HUMBLY SHEWETH

That Your Excell Petitioners Understanding that Some Persons for their own Private Lucre and Gaine are Soliciting Your Excellency for his Majesties Grant of the land on Nassaw Island Over Against this Citty from High water to Low water Marke Designing to make thereon Considerable Improvements which Your Excell Petitioners humbly Conceive may in time not only Prove Injurious to the Trade and Commerce of this Citty but also be a Means to Lessen y^e^ Income of his Maj^ts^ Revenue Established Upon Trade to the Gen^ll^ Decay of the Province, the Improvement thereof Imployed now in Traffique being Scar[c]ely able to Maintaine the Inhabitants now settled in this Citty whose livelyhood does only Rely thereon, for the Prevention whereof May itt Please Your Excellency Your Excell Petitioners most humbly pray that Your Excellency would be favourably Pleased to take the Premisses unto Your Prudent Consideration and Order his Maj^ts^ Grant of all the Vacant Ground on Nassaw Island from High water to Low

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water Marke [261] fronting unto this Citty from the Place Called the Wall Bought Unto the Red Hooke Agt Nutten Island which shall only be Imployed by the said Citty for his Majesties Service & the Gent good of the same And Your Excell Petitioners As in duty bound Shall Ever pray &c:

Citty of N: Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the house of ye Mayor on Wensday the Seaventh day of April Anno Dom 1697.

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Johannes Kip
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Brandt Schuyler
Leonard Lewis } ESqrs Aldermen
Phillip French
Jeremiah Tothill
John Windower } Assistants.

The Mayor Capt Kip & Mr French doe Reporte that they waited vpon his Excell with the Petition Ordered last Common Council that his Excell Committed the Said Petition to the Mayor Again to be Signed by the whole board. Whereupon itt is Ordered that the Said Petition be Signed by the whole board.

Order'd that Alderman V: Cortlandt And Mr Tothill doe waite Upon his Excell with the Said Petition which is Signed by the Above Members.

[262] Citty of N: Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Sd Citty on Saturday ye 29th day of May Anno Dom 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Johannes Kip
Brandt Schuyler
Leonard Lewis } ESqrs Aldermen
Phillip French
Jeremiah Tothill
John Windower } Assistants

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Upon Reading the Reporte of the Committee Appointed the 17th day of November last to make A true and Perfect Representation of what haue been ye Rights & Priviledges of this Citty and what might be Needfull to Address his Majesty &c: was Approued And Ordered that the said Reporte be Recorded with the Papers thereunto Annexed (that is to Say) the Address to the King with ye Reasons for ye Repealing the Bolting Act.

Reporte of ye Committee

In Obedience unto the Unanimous Resolve of ye Common Council Conven'd on Tuesday ye 17th of November last Wee have made Diligent Search and Inquiry into the Ancient Rights and Priviledges of the Citty and Upon the Examination of ye Records in the Secretarys office and this Citty Wee did thinke fitt to Cause Extracts to be made of all Such Grants of Priviledges to the Said Citty as was needfull unto the Said Order. and the Same wee did Appoint to be Carried unto the Recorder by Alderman Cortlandt and Alderman Kip two of the Aforesaid Committee and desired them to Consult with the Said Recorder what was more Needfull and that [263] he would thereupon Draw A Petition in the Behalfe of ye Said Citty unto his Majesty for ye Repealing of ye Aforesaid Law. wch was the Cause of the Present Extremity that the Inhabitants of the Said Citty lay under. for ye want of bread. and Also that he would have in the Drawing thereof Regard to truth, that the Same might be Justified Against all Adversaries Perceiving the People in the Country to be Soe Affected with the Said Law that they would Use all their Interest they Could Procure to Disturbe the Citty in Obtaining their Resolve. And that he would Likewise Recollect himselfe & bring the best Arguments he Could Conceive for ye Defence of the Right of ye Said Citty. Whereupon wee left ye Said Papers with him And in Some time Afterwards he did send to us A Draft of A Petition to his Majesty for ye Citty obtaining the End Aforesaid together with Reasons for ye Justifying the same Which wee Seriously Perused And Upon Great Deliberation And Arguments had thereupon did thinke itt Reasonable to Approve thereof and them therefore hereunto affixed which is Submitted to the Consideration of ye whole board by. Jacobus V: Cortlandt Brandt schuyler Johannes Kip Leonard Lewis Jeremiah Tothill J: D: Riemer P French Junr

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Address to the King (Viz^{t})

To The Kings most Excellent Majesty

The humble Petition of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Commonality of Your Majesties Ancient Citty & Corporation of New Yorke in America.

Most humbly Sheweth

Most Gracious Soveraigne

Your Majesties Most Loyall most Dutifull and most humble Subjects the Inhabitants of Your Maj^{ts} Said Citty & Corporation [264] Transplanted themselves from their Native Country and Settled att this place where they have been att great Charge In Erecting Buildings for y^{e} Accommodation of Trade and the Increase of Your Majesties Empire, Depending upon the Publick Faith and Assurance that they and their Posterity Should Peaceably Quietly and without any Lett hinderance or Molestation Posess and Enjoy those Rights Liberties Priviledges Franchises Free Customs Preheminences Advantages Jurisdictions Immoluments & Immunities Granted and Confirmed Unto them by Your Majesties Royall Ancestors and the Divers Governours authorized And Commissioned by them as well as by the Severall Governours Directors and Commanders in Chiefe of the Nether Dutch Nation whilst the Same was under their Power and Subjection. And Since the Glorious day of Your Majesties happy Accession to the Crown Your Majesties Petitioners have fully Enjoyed all these Benefitts to the Increase of Your Majesties Revenue and the Sencible Advancement of Your Majesties Said Citty to the Great Terrour of all Your Majestys Enemies and in Such Growing & flourishing State itt had Continued if your Maj^{ts} Benign favours and Protections to Your Majesties Said Citty had not been Interrupted by An Unaccountable and Rash humour that Seised upon y^{e} Assembly of this Your Majesties Province Precipitateing them into Such A Convulsion that without thought or Consideration they Unadvisedly Passed an Act Intituled An Act Ag^{t} unlawfull By Laws and unreasonable Forfeitures In Opposition to Your Majesties Royall Prerogative And the Right of Your Maj^{ts} Said Citty by which Act they did Att Once Stagnate all the Growing budds together with the Traffique and Commerce of the Same, taking away from them the Priviledge of the Sole Bolting of Flower & bakeing of Biskett for Transportation w^{ch} by a Grant was Confined [265] Unto Your Majesties Said Citty. And Whereon y^{e} livelyhood of all Your Maj^{ts} Subjects therein did and does Chiefly Depend. Itt has

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Also Given Such A Scope and Latitude to all that has A Minde to Use that trade that Every Planters hutt throughout this Province is now become A Markett for wheat for wheate Flower and Biskett whereby the Principalls of Trade are Reduced to Confusion being Impossible to bring that Act vnder Regulation whilst the Markett is of Soe large an Extent Soe that not only Your Majestys Subjects within this Citty must Suffer and loose their Improvements but likewise the lives of Your Majtˢ subjects in the West Indies are thereby much Endangered by Reason of yᵉ Corruption that may be Used in the Sᵈ Commodity And as now Circumstanced without Remedy.

May itt Please Your Majesty this Your Majesties Citty hath been for Many Years the Only Granary of all Your Majesties Plantations in America and hath been all ways Plentifully Stored with all Sorts of Graine and Flower as well for Your Majesties Service Upon Any Exigent as for yᵉ Reliefe of Yʳ Majesties Subjects in the times of Scarcity or want in Any of Your Majesties Plantations who upon such occasions have had Resort hither for their Supply and have been allways furnished att Reasonable Rates. but Now may itt Please Your Majesty the Cry in the Streets is the want of bread though itt be After one of the Plentifullest harvests that has been known in Your Majesties Province

Therefore May itt Please Your Majesty

Your Majesties Petitioners with Awfull Reverence in the humblest of Postures lye Prostrate att your Majesties Sacred feet most humbly Praying that Your Majesty would be Graciously Pleased to take the Deplorable Miserable and Decaying State of this Your Majesties languishing Citty into Your Royall Consideration and in Your Princely Wisdom and Prerogative Repeale Abrograte Vacate and Annull yᵉ Aforesaid [266] Act and all the Articles and Clauses therein Mentioned And by Your Majesties most Gracious and Royall favour Restore unto Your Majesties Said Citty A New Soule by Conferming Unto Your Majesties Petitioners and to their Successors the Liberty of the Sole Bolting of Flower And Baking of Biskett for Transportation as formerly Accustomed And Your Majesties Most Loyall most Dutifull and most humble Subjects as they have already Dedicated their lives and fortunes Solely to Your Majtˢ service soe they most humbly pray that they may only Use them in the Support Maintainance and Defence of Your Majestys Sacred Person Royall dignity & Governmt Agt all Your Majtˢ Enemies whatsoever and as in duty bound Shall Uncessantly pray vnto the King of Kings that long life A long and

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Prosperous Reign with an Unlimitted Conquest over all Your Majtys Enemies may for Ever Attend Your Majesties Royall Person.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Wensday the 9th day of June 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Brandt Schuyler, Leonard Lewis, Johannes Kip } ESqrs Aldermen
Phillip French, John Hardenbrooke, ISaac D: Riemer, Jeremiah Tothil } Assistants

Ordered that Alderman Kip Alderman Schuyler Mr D: Riemer and Mr Tothill be A Committee to Enquire what has been Advanced for the poor and what will [267] be Needfull to be Raised for their further Reliefe and Also what Sum will be wanting to finish ye bridge & Slip & Other publick works & also what ye Citty is Indebted And what will be the Easiest and best way to pay the Same and that the Treasurer Give an Abstract out of his Bookes thereof & that this Committee make Reporte thereof by to morrow att 2 A Clock Afternoon.

Ordered the Mayor Direct his Warrant to ye Treasurer to pay unto William Sharpas Ct of this Citty the Sum of ten pounds Curr Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe Years Sallary due ye 14th day of April last past & Ordered the Treasurer pay the same.

Ordered the Mayor Direct A Warrant to ye Treasurer to pay unto Jarvis Marshall the Sum of Seaven pounds ten Shilings Curr Money of New Yorke in full of three Quarters Sallary due & Ending the first Instant

The Draft of the Grants for ye Disposall of ye Land Sold to the Respective purchasers in Dock Street was read And Approved.

Adjourn'd till to morrow 2 a Clock Afternoon

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Die Jovis 2d hora ꝑ Meridiem

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Johannes Kip
Brandt Schuyler
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Leonard Lewis } ESqrs Aldermen
Johannes Hardenbrooke
Phillip French
ISaac D: Riemer } Assistants

[268] The Committee Appointed to Enquire what has been Advanc'd to the poor &c: make their Reporte in these words following (Vizt)

Pursuant to the within Order wee doe finde that there has been Advanced & Engaged to be paid by the Overseers of ye poor the Sum of £106 for ye Reliefe of the poor of this Citty and that the Sum of £50 Currant Money of this Citty will be Needfull to be Raised for their further Reliefe untill ye 14th day of October Next Ensueing.

That £120 Currant Money of this Citty will also be Needfull to finish the bridge. that £60 like Money will be wanting to finish ye Slips.

Wee have also made Enquiry into the Debts of the Citty and finde as followeth (Vizt)

John Douw Scavenger of ye Citty	£15	00	00
Capts Disburstments on the Guard for fire And Candle	50	00	00
To Capt Tuder ꝑ Order of Sessions	12	00	00
To Sr Edmond Andros ꝑ Warrant	—	—	—
To ye Representatives as ꝑ Warrants	164	00	00
To ye Collectors of ye Publick Taxes att 6d ꝑ pound	—	—	—
To ye Representatives for severall Certificates not Yett passed in Common Council	—	—	—

Wee also finde the Citty has Credit (Vizt)

By William Baker Deceased Given to the poor	40	00	00
By Sundrys for Freedoms &c: Received by the Mayor from ye first of his Mayorality Not Yett Accounted for	—	—	—

Revenue of ye Citty Received by the Tresurer Since the Last Audite which is Submitted

ꝑ Order of ye Committee
JOHANNES KIP

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[269] ORDERED that if Any of ye Aldermen or Assistants Shall be Absent from ye Common Council after due summons halfe an hour after Ringing of ye Bell Shall for each Default forfeite the Sum of Six Shilings unless a Reasonable Excuse to ye Contrary.

RESOLVED that £156 be Raised for the poor that £120 be Raised for the Bridge that £60 be Raised for the Slip and £15 be Raised for ye Scavenger which in all Amounts to the Sum of £351 & ORDERED the Overseers of the poor Attend this board to morrow att Nine A Clock for their Assent to the Raising of the Same.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on fryday the 11th day of June Anno Dom 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes Kip
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Brandt Schuyler
Leonard Lewis

Assistants:
Phillip French
Jeremiah Tothil
ISaac D: Riemer
John Windower

Overseers of the poor &c:
Thomas Wenham
Robt Lurting
John Theobald
John Crooke

ORDERED the Mayor Direct A Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Capt John Tuder late High Sheriff of this Citty the sum of twelve pounds Currant Money of New [270] Yorke itt being for the Execution of A Negro Slave for ye Murder of John Boyee which was Allowed in Genll Quarter sessions as A County Charge.

Upon Application of Coll Nicolas Bayard that the Church Street might be laid out he having Ground thereby on which he designs to Erect Building

ORDERED that Alderman Kip & Mr Hardenbrooke doe in their presence Cause ye Surveyors of this Citty to lay Out the Said Street

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as may be most Convenient for the Church and the Inhabitants of yᵉ Same.

Resolved Nemine Contra dicente that one hundred & fifty Six pounds be Raised for the poor for yᵉ paying of what has been Disbursted by the Overseers for their Reliefe and also for their further Maintainance untill the fourteenth day of October Next Ensueing. and also the Sum of one hundred and twenty pounds for yᵉ Repair & finishing the Bridge and making the same Commodious for Landing & Shiping of goods & also yᵉ Sum of Sixty pounds for yᵉ finishing and makeing Convenient the Slip att the end of the broad Street, and also fifteen pounds all Currant Money of New Yorke for yᵉ Payment of the Scavenger which in all Amounts to the Sum of three hundred & fifty One pounds & Ordered that A Warrant be forthwith directed to the Assessors for yᵉ Assessing the said severall sums & also upon yᵉ Return of the said Assessments that Warrants be Directed to the Collector of each Respective Ward for yᵉ Collecting of the same on or before yᵉ 24th day of this Instant June and that the Said Collectors pay the Same into the Treasurer of this Citty by yᵉ time Aforesd

Ordered that the Inhabitants fronting the Slip att Burgers path doe pave yᵉ Said Slip According to the Directions of Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Lewis Mr French & Mr Tothil & that they Call the surveyors of this Citty to their [271] Assistance for yᵉ more Regular Effecting the Same.

Ordered that the Mayor Execute the Deeds for the land lately laid out in the Dock Street According to former Order.

Ordered that yᵉ Mayor Direct A Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Graham ESqr the Sum of fourteen pounds ten Shilings Currt Money of New Yorke. itt being for twenty Nine days Service as A Representative of this Citty in the last Sessions of Assembly.

The Acct of John Ellison Committed to Examination of the Auditors

Ordered that the Regulations of the markett be Continued in force for three Months from yᵉ Date hereof.

Ordered that Alderman Cortlandt Altd. Kip Altd Schuyler Mr French Mr Tothill and Mr D: Riemer be A Committee to Examine the Laws of this Citty and make Reporte in A Month of Such as will be proper to be Amended Continued or Repealed

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Meeting of ye Mayor & Aldermen of ye Said Citty on fryday ye 6th da. of Augt 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor

Brandt Schuyler
Robt Darkins
Leonard Lewis
} ESqrs Aldermen

Ordered the Assize of bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt)

A White loafe of ye finest flower to weigh Nine Ounces for three halfe pence.

[272] A Wheaten Loafe ye Coursest Bran only taken out and Not Otherwise to weigh two pound three Quarters for four pence halfe penny. wheate being att Six Shilings & Six pence ℔ Bushell.

A Rye loafe to weigh five pounds for four pence halfe penny And that No Other bread be made for sale then what Above Specified And all Bakers within this Citty are hereby Required to keep bread in their Shops According to ye Above Assize that the Inhabitants may be Supplyed Accordingly

Ordered this Asssize of Bread be forthwith Published.

Ordered that Leonard Huygen Peter Vantilborough & Lawrence Thomas & Jacob Cornelisson be Overseers and Viewers of bread within this City to Inspect into the Goodness thereof and that the same be of good & due Assize.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Wensday ye 29th day of Sepbr Anno Dom 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor

Johannes Kip
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Brandt Schuyler
Robt Darkins
Leonard Lewis
} ESqrs Ald.

Phillip French
Johannes Hardenbrooke
ISaac D: Riemer
John Windower
} Assistants

By Vertue of the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen

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of each Respective Ward of this Citty According to [273] The Usage Customs Laws and Ordinances of y^e^ Said Citty for the Electing this day One Alderman one Assistant two Assessors One Collector and one petty Constable in each Respective Ward within the Said Citty & Also Overseers of y^e^ Highways for y^e^ Divisions of y^e^ Bowry and Harlem of y^e^ Out Ward to Serve in their Respective Offices for y^e^ Year Ensueing And Accordingly y^e^ same day Return was made thereof att twelve A Clock att Noon to y^e^ Office of Town Clerke Under y^e^ hands and seals of y^e^ Respective Aldermen According to y^e^ Tenure of y^e^ Aforesaid Warrant as followeth (Viz^t^)

East Ward	Leonard Lewis	Alderman
	John Euwatse	Assistant
	Rob^t^ Sincklair, Thomas Lewis	Assessors
	John Mortier	Collector
	Peter Van Tilborough	Constable
West Ward	John Hutchins	Alderman
	John Windower	Assistant
	Tobias stoutenburgh, Paulus Turke Jun^r^	Assessors
	Conradus Vanderbeeck	Collector
	William Bickley Jun^r^	Constable
South Ward	Paulus Richard	Alderman
	ISaac D: Riemer	Assistant
	Johannes Van Geesen, William Jackson	Assessors
	Gysbert Vaninburgh	Collector
	Francis Vincent	Constable.
[274] North Ward	Jacob Boelen	Aldermen
	Everet Byvanke	Assistant
	Jesse Kip, ISaac Kip	Assessors
	Asuerus Hendricks	Collector
	Barent Vantilborough	Constable
Dock Ward	David Provoost Jun^r^	Alderman
	Gerrett Duyckinck	Assistant
	David Provoost Sen^r^, Johannes Outman	Assessors
	Paul Droillett	Collector
	John Vanhorne	Constable

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Out Ward

Gerrard Douw	Alderman
Martin Clock	Assistant
Eghbert Harman	Constables
Teunis Dalser	
Wolfert Webber	Assessors
John Kierse	
John Hendricks Van Brevort	Surveyors of y^{e} Highways
Johannes Thomas	
Adolph Meyer	
samuell Waldron	
Jan Eckerse	Collectors.
Hendrick Kyckhout	

Thomas Borroughs is Elected by the Mayor to serve as High Constable of this Citty for the Year Ensueing

Capt Ebenezer Willson is Elected Treasurer of this Citty for the Ensueing Year which place he is duely to Execute & for his Sallary to have two & halfe ℔ Cent for Receiving & paying y^{e} Revenue of y^{e} said Citty.

M^{r} Jameson y^{e} Clerke of y^{e} Council brought A Message from his Excellency the Governour & Informed this Board that his [275] Excellency this day in Council Nominated the present Mayor to Serve in the office of Mayor of this Citty for the Year Ensueing.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Meeting of y^{e} Mayor Aldermen & Assistants att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Saturday y^{e} 2^{d} day of October 1697

Present William Merrett ESq^{r} Mayor

Johannes Kip	Aldermen
Jacobus V: Cortlandt	
Brandt Schuyler	
Rob^{t} Darkins	
Phillip French	Assistants
Johannes Hardenbrooke	
Jeremiah Tothil	
ISaac D: Riemer	

The Mayor Informed this board that on Tuesday Next the Supream Courte of y^{e} Province would sitt att which Severall Criminalls were to be tryed to which itt is Supposed great Numbers of People

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would Resorte Insomuch that itt is fear'd the Citty Hall will not be of Sufficient Strength to Containe them Whereupon itt is ORDERED that John Wanser & Jacobus Berry Carpenters Jacobus Coelet Bricklayer doe view the Same and make Reporte to this board whether ye Same be of Sufficient Strength & what will be wanting to Secure the Same. Whereupon ye said Jacobus Coelet having Viewed ye same does Reporte that to the best of his Skill the Walls of ye Said Citty Hall are Sufficient to Sustain the Weight that may be therein & Jacobus Berry Reporteth that with six Studds and a Planke the Same may be Secured from Any danger of falling ORDERED that the Said Jacobus Berry doe Provide ye Said Studds & A Planke and place them as Shall be most Nessessary for ye Upholding the said Citty Hall & that he perform ye same between this & Tuesday Next & that he bring in his Acct of ye Charge thereof to this board.

[276] Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Meeting of ye Mayor Aldermen And Assistants att ye Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Munday ye 4th day of October 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor

Aldermen:
- Johannes Kip
- Jacobus V: Cortlandt
- Leonard Lewis

Assistants:
- Phillip French
- Johannes Hardenbrooke
- Jeremiah Tothill

The Mayor Produced A letter from the Judges of the Supream Courte Directed to ye Mayor Aldermen & Assistants which was read in these words following (Viz:)

GENT

WHEREAS his Majts Supream Courte of Judicature for this Province is pursuant to an Act of Genll Assembly to be held to morrow att ye Publick Hall of this Citty & Forasmuch wee are Informed that Your present Town house is Run soe much to Decay that No Considerable Number of People Can their Appear with safety of their lives and that severall of his Majts Subjects who haue been summoned to Appear their as Jurors have declared that for that Reason they Cannot Obey ye Summons Giuen Wee are therefore Obliged & hereby in his Majesties Name Require You the Magistrates of this

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Citty to Appoint & prepare Some Other place wherein his Majesties Said Courte may be more Conveniently held Wee Are Your Affectionate friends Wm Smith Wm Pinhorne

ORDERED that ye Above letter be forthwith Answered & that the Judges be Informed that before the Receipt of their letter this board had taken Care (Pursuant to the Reporte of A Mason and two Carpenters) to put Studds and Planke for ye Making of the Citty Hall Secure from falling & that [277] The Said Workemen doe believe the same to be of Sufficient Strength to Containe Any Number of People that may be therein

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Thursday ye 14th day of October Anno Dom 1697.

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor

Aldermen:
- Brandt Schuyler
- Robt Darkins
- Leonard Lewis
- Thomas Turneur

Assistants.:
- Phillip French
- Johannes Hardenbrooke
- ISaac D: Riemer
- Jeremiah Tothill
- Peter Oblinis

This day the Mayor Attended by the Sheriff Aldermen & Assistants According to former usage and Custom waited Upon his Excell the Governour & Council where the Mayor had the Oaths According to Law Administred unto him & Ebenezer Willson Esqr was also Sworne High Sheriff of ye Citty & County of New Yorke & County of Orange, Whereupon the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid Returned to ye Citty Hall where ye Mayor & Sheriffs Commissions were published And ye Aldermen and Assistants Elect having taken the Oaths Appointed Instead of ye Oaths of Alleigance and Supremacy & Subscribed ye Test And Also having taken According to their Respective Stations the Oaths of Aldermen & Common Council Accordingly took their places

Evert Byvanke Elected Assistant of ye North Ward & John Windower of ye West Ward were Absent.

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The Constables of yᵉ Respective Wards were Also Sworne Peter Vantilborough Elected for yᵉ East Ward Excepted who was Absent.

[278] Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att yᵉ Citty Hall of yᵉ Sᵈ Citty on Saturday the 13ᵗʰ day of Novᵇʳ 1697

Present William Merrett ESqʳ Mayor
James Graham ESqʳ Recorder
Jacob Boelen, Leonard Lewis, John Hutchins, David Provoost } ESqʳˢ Aldermen
John Euwatse, ISaac D: Riemer, John Windower } Assistants

John Windower tooke the Oath Appointed Instead of the Oath of Alleigance and Supremacy & Subscribed yᵉ Test & also had the Oath of A Common Council man of this Citty Administred to him & Accordingly tooke his place.

The present Citty Hall Seeming to be Defective whereby his Majesty subjects might be Endangered Should the Courte of Judicature be longer held there itt is therefore Resolved yᵗ the Courts of this Citty & Common Council doe sitt att the house of George Rescarrick Adjoyning to yᵉ Citty Hall untill the 13ᵗʰ day of October Next and that the said George Rescarrick be Allowed for yᵉ Same the Sum of twelve pounds Currᵗ Money of this Province to Commence from the first day of October last past.

Ordered That Alderman Lewis Alderman Hutchins Mʳ D: Riemer & Mʳ Euwatse be A Committee to Audite the Treasurers Bookes & Accompts together with all yᵉ Publicks Accompts of the Citty & make Reporte thereof to this board with all Convenient Expedition.

Ordered that the Mayor Execute a Warrant to the Treasurer of this Citty for yᵉ Payment of Seaventeen pounds Sixteen Shilings unto William Sharpas Cl of this [279] Citty in full of his Sallary to yᵉ 14ᵗʰ day of October last & for pen Ink and paper & Engrossing & Recording the Grants for Land in the Dock Street as Appears by his Accᵗ which is Allowed. & Ordered the Treasurer pay the Same.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Wensday ye 17th day of November Anno Dom 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Paul Richard
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost
} ESqrs Aldermen
Gerrett Duyckinck
ISaac D: Riemer
John Windower
Johannes Hardenbrooke
} Assistants

Ordered That the Mayor Execute A Warrant to ye Treasurer for the Payment to Capt Brandt Schuyler Capt Ebenezer Willson Capt John Merrett Capt John D: Bruyn Capt John D Peyster Capt John Kip and Capt John Tuder each ye Sum of Nine pounds Curr: Money of New Yorke itt being Money by them disbursted for fire wood and Candles for ye Night Guards of this Citty from ye first day of August 1696 to ye first day of Augt 1697 which is Allowed & Ordered the Treasurer pay ye Same itt being in all Sixty three pounds.

Ordered that ye Mayor Aldermen Boelen Alderman Hutchins Mr D: Riemer Mr Hardenbrooke or any three of them be A Committee (Calling to their Assistance ye Surveyors of this Citty) to Lay out in Convenient Lotts the Ground on ye West Side of the Custom house Bridge & that they Cause A Draft to be made thereof & make Reporte of there Proceedings therein with all Convenient Expedition

[280] Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Saturday ye 20th day of November Anno Dom 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Paul Richard
Leonard Lewis
Gerrard Douw
John Hutchins
David Provoost
} ESqrs Aldermen
John Euwatse
John Windower
Johannes Hardenbrooke
} Assistants

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An Order of his Excellency ye Governour was read for the Absolving the Citty Militia from ye duty of Night Guards by A Military Watch untill ye 25th day of March Next Ensueing Provided the Officers or Magistrates of ye Said Citty doe Appoint A Bellman or more And Other Civil Watch to goe round the Citty in the Night time to Prevent Irregularities that may happen or fire &c: Whereupon itt is thought Nessessary by this board that four Sober honest men be Appointed for to Keep a Watch in this Citty Every Night untill the 25th day of March Next & that they hourly goe through the Severall Wards of this Citty dureing the Said time in Order to Prevent Irregularities fire &c: & that Mr Mayor Agree with Persons for ye Executing the Said Service on Such Reasonable Terms as he Shall Judge Needfull & make Reporte of what he Shall doe therein by Tuesday Next.

The Committee Appointed for ye laying Out the Lotts on the West Side of the Bridge have Caused A Draft to be made thereof which was Produced before this board & that the Said Ground is laid out in fourteen lotts of 25 foot wide which by Majority of Votes is Approved & the Disposal thereof under Consideration till Tuesday Next.

[281] Citty of New Yorke } SS. Att A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Tuesday ye 23d day of November Anno Dom 1697

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Paul Richard
Gerrard Douw
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost

Assistants:
John Euwatse
Gerrett Duyckinck
John Windower
Martin Clock

The Mayor having Acquainted the board of ye Insufficiency of the Citty Hall itt is the Opinion of the whole board (onely one descenting) that there is A Nessessity of building A New Citty Hall for ye publick Service.

Resolved that ye Lotts on ye West Side of ye Bridge Shall not be

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Sold or Disposed for ye building of A Citty Hall and that the building the Same be under Consideration of this board untill the twenty fifth day of March Next Ensueing.

This board taking into Consideration the great Inconveniency that Attends this Citty being A trading place for want of having lights in the Darke time of ye moon in the winter season itt is therefore ORDERED that all and Every of the house Keepers within this Citty Shall put out lights in their Windows fronting ye Respective Streets of the Said Citty According to Such manner and Rule, as Shall be Directed by the Mayor two Aldermen and two Assistants under the Penalty of Nine pence each Night for Every Default.

ORDERED that the Mayor Call to his Assistance any two of ye Aldermen And two Asssistants for ye making the Said Regulation and that they Also be a Committee to Audite the Accts of ye Respective Collectors of the Taxes Paid by this Citty

[282] The Petition of Mr David Vilaut being read desireing he may Keep School in the publick Citty Hall as has been formerly Granted to him by the preceeding Mayor & Aldermen &c: is Refer'd to the Mayor to doe therein as he shall See Cause.

The Petition of ye Sworne Packers & Cullers was read Setting forth that Great Quantities of Provisions are Shiped of without the Packers marke

ORDERED that ye Said Packers & Cullers Execute their Office According to their Oaths & the Laws of this Citty.

FORASMUCH as itt is thought Convenient for ye good Rule & Government of the Inhabitants of this Citty that the hereafter Named Laws Orders & Ordinances Should Continue in force for three Months longer itt is therefore Ordained that all the Articles Clauses and Conditions in the said Severall Laws and Ordinances be Continued and Remaine in full force and Vertue for ye Space of three Months any thing to the Contrary hereof in Any wise Notwithstanding and that the Clerke Cause ye Same to be Affixed on ye Citty Hall (Vizt)

For ye Observation of ye Lords day
Concerning Strangers
Concerning Freemen
Keeping ye Streets Clean
Concerning Retailers of Liquors

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Concerning Surveyors of y^e^ Citty
To Prevent fire
Concerning Negroes
Engrossers & Forestallers
Assize of bread
No timber to lye in the Streets
Concerning Swine
Regulations for Carmen
Officers to be Observant in the Execution of these Laws
[283] Concerning Negroes & Indian Slaves
Common Council Not to be Absent upon Summons
Guagers Packers & Cullers
Weights & Measures to be Sealed
Masters of Vessells to give Acc^t^ of their Passengers.
Concerning Bucketts
Packers Marke on beef & Porke
Freemen to be Inrolled
Apprentices to be bound before y^e^ Mayor &c:
Ordinance for Paving y^e^ Streets
Laws & Orders for y^e^ Governm^t^ of y^e^ Docks & Slips
Regulations of y^e^ Markett

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Munday y^e^ 29^th^ day of November Anno Dom 1697

Present William Merrett ESq^r^ Mayor
James Graham ESq^r^ Recorder
Paulus Richards
John Hutchins
David Provoost } ESq^rs^ Aldermen
Gerrett Duyckinck
ISaac D: Riemer
John Windower
Evert Byvanke } Assistants

M^r^ Evert Byvanke Elected Assistant of the North Ward Appeared In Common Council and had the Oaths Administred to him Appointed instead of the Oaths of Alleigance & Supremacy and Subscribed the Test and tooke the Oath of Common Council And Accordingly tooke his place.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Thursday the Second day of December Anno Dom̄ 1697

[284] Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

Paul Richard
Gerrett Douw
Jacob Boelen
John Hutchins
Leonard Lewis
David Provoost
} ESqrs Aldermen

Gerrett Duyckinck
John Windower
Martin Clock
Evert Byvanke
John Euwatse
} Assistants

Itt is the Opinion of the board that Mr Gerrett Duyckinck doe pay for ye Land lately Granted to him Pursuant to his Petition the Same lying in the Rear of his former purchase in the Dock Street According to the Survey thereof made And now Upon file in the Office att the Rate of Nine pence for Each Square foot.

Itt is Resolved Nemine Contra Dicente for the Regulating of the lights to be put out in the Darke time of the Moon within this Citty and for the Ease of the Inhabitants that Every Seaventh house in the Severall Wards of this Citty doe Every Night in the Darke time of the Moon Untill the twenty fifth day of March Next Cause A Lanthorn & Candle to be hung out on A Pole Every Night and that the Charge be defrayed in Equal proportion by the Inhabitants of the Said Seaven houses Upon Penalty of Nine pence for Every Default to be paid by the person whose turn itt is to put Out the Same And that the Alderman And Assistant of Each Respective Ward doe take Care that the same be forthwith put in Effectual Execution and that Notice be Given to the said Inhabitants to put out ye same.

[285] This Courte taking into Consideration the danger that may happen by fire for want of A Due Inspection made to the Cleaning of Chimneys & Mending of harths within this Citty itt is therefore ORDERED that the Alderman & Assistant of Each Respective Ward of this Citty doe Appoint two sufficient Persons in Every Ward within the said Citty to be Viewers of the Said Chimneys and harths who

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shall View the same Once A Week And where they finde Any defective Give Notice that the same may be Rem[ed]ied att such time as in their discretion they Shall think fitt And if Any person Shall Refuse their Direction herein they Shall forfeite for each Offence the Sum of three Shilings One halfe to the Citty and the Other halfe to the Said Viewers of ye Respective Wards and that if Any Chimneys Shall be on fire After Notice Given by the said Viewers for ye Cleaning of the Same the dweller in such house to whome Notice thereof shall be soe Given Shall forfeite for Every Chimney that Shall be soe on fire the Sum of Fourty Shilings for ye use of the Citty. and if the Said Viewers Shall Neglect to Execute their duty hereby Required Shall for each Offense forfeite the Sum of Six Shilings and that Another be Appointed in his place.

Order'd The Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the Payment to Jarvis Marshall the Sum of five pounds for halfe Years Sallary due and Ending the fifteenth November last which is Allowed & Order'd the Treasurer pay the same.

Resolved that the Persons that Shall be Appointed the Bellmen And Watch of this Citty doe Give in Security for the Sum of five hundred pounds Currant Money of this Province that they will well and truely Execute the Said Office According to Such Directions and Regulations as Should be given them by ye Mayor.

Order'd that what Money is due to the Bellmen and Watch to this day & for firewood Candle and A Glass to be paid by the Treasurer And that the Mayor Execute A Warrant for ye Paymt of the same and that An Account of Particulars thereof be Ascertain'd.

[286] Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Tuesday the 28th day of December 1697

Present William Merrett, ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Paul Richard
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost
} ESqrs Aldermen
Gerrett Duyckinck
John Windower
Evert Byvanke
} Assistants

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ORDERD the Mayor Direct A Warrant to the Treasurer to Purchase four Barrells of Powder for yᵉ saluting the Earle of Bellomont on his Arrival

The Mayor Informing that their are Arrearage of Quitt Rent due for yᵉ Citty Charter from yᵉ Arrival of Governour Sloughter, Itt is therefore ORDERED that the Treasurer doe forthwith pay yᵉ Same to his Majesties Receiver Genᴿᴵ And make Reporte thereof to the Next Common Council

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Meeting of yᵉ Mayor & Aldermen On Wensday yᵉ 19th day of January 1697[-8]

Present William Merrett ESqʳ Mayor
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost
} ESqʳˢ Aldermen

ORDER'D the Assize of bread be till further Order as followeth Vizt

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh Eleaven Ounces for three halfe pence

A Wheaten Loafe the Coursest Bran only taken out and [287] Not Otherways to weigh two pounds three Quarters for four pence halfe penny wheat being att five Shilings ℔ Bushell Itt is Also ORDERED that No Other bread be made for Sale within this Citty then what Above Specified and all Bakers within the Same Are hereby Required to keep bread in their Shops According to the Above Assize that the Inhabitants be Supplyed Accordingly.

The Assessors of the Respective Wards of this Citty were this day Sworne to Assess the Sum of three hundred & fifty three pounds twelve Shilings & Six pence itt being the Moyety of £707 — 05 — 00 Raised by Vertue of An Act of Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act for yᵉ Raising the Sum of three & twenty hundred pounds &c: And Also A Warrant was directed to the Said Assessors for yᵉ Making yᵉ Said Assessment and to Return the Roles of yᵉ Same to the Office of Town Clerke on or before the first day of February Next.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Meeting of the Mayor & Aldermen att ye Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Saturday the 2d day of April Anno Dom 1698.

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Paul Richard, Leonard Lewis, John Hutchins } ESqrs Aldermen

This day his Majesties Commission under the greate Seale of England Appointing his Excellency Richard Earle of Bellomont Capt Genll And Governour in Chiefe of this Province was after ye Ringing of three Bells Published att the Citty Hall, & Also his Majesties Commission Appointing the Honble John Nanfan ESqr Lieut Govr of the Said Province & his Excellencies Proclamation for the Continuing All Officers in their places till further Order were att the Same time Publickly read & Published.

[288] Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Munday the 4th day of April 1698

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Paul Richard, Leonard Lewis, John Hutchins, David Provoost, Jacob Boelen } ESqrs Aldermen
Isaac D: Riemer, Gerrett Duyckinck, John Windower } Assistants

The following Address was three times Read & Approved and Ordered to be Engrossed & Recorded. (Viz:)

To his Excellency Richard Earle of Bellomont Capt Genll and Governour in Chiefe of his Majesties Province of New Yorke and the Territories Depending thereon in America & Vice Admirall of ye Same &c:

The humble Address of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the Citty of New Yorke Conven'd in Common Council.

May itt please Your Excellency

With ye Greatest of Gratitude wee most humbly Acknowledge the Honour done us by his Majesty Our most Gracious Soveraign in

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Appointing Your Lordship his Capt. Gen^{ll} & Gov^{r} in Chiefe of this Province. the great Character your Lordship bears and is Soe Justly due Unto Your Lordships Integrity Calls for our duty which wee now offer Your Lordship with Strong affections And with true Reverence most heartily Congratulate your Lordships Arrival in Your Government. the Satisfaction wee have in Soe Great A Blessing doth Engage us to give Your Lordship [289] Assurance that wee will make itt Our Interest as itt is Already Our duty to Support Your Lordships Dignity in y^{r} Excellencies Administration. and itt Shall Also be our Study to pursue the best Methods wee Can Conceive to Render y^{r} Excellency's Governm^{t} Over us happy and Easy.

The Hon^{ble} Gen^{t} of his Majesties Council Can Justly Witness the Loyall Affections that this Citty & Corporation hath allways Manifested for our Most Gracious Soveraign his Most Sacred Majesty And how ready wee have been on all Occasions with Our Lives and fortunes to Maintain his Interest & Government Ag^{t} all his Enemies and Shall not be wanting to Render the like obedience Unto your Excellencys Commands having Nothing Soe dear that wee will not readily Sacrifice to what your Excellency Shall Judge proper for his Majesties Service, all Our Affections [(] as in duty they Ought) Are Intirely fixed unto his Most Sacred Majesty Yett they are unhappily Attended with A Mixture of Division which begetts Contention And Obstructs y^{e} Growth of Soe Needfull A Duty in Government. Division Among us not being Soe good A Rule for Empire as Concord. The great Loyalty that Your Lordship hath Evidenced on all Occasions for y^{e} Support of his Majesties Government in Our Native Kingdom Gives us great hopes that the Emanations of itt here will Speedily dissipate those Clouds of dissention which Overshades our Tranquility

Wee therefore become most humble Suiters to your Excellency that You would Influence us with Your Excellencies favour Soe far as to heale our breaches & Reconcile Our Differences which will Intirely Unite Our Affections which wee most Dutifully Dedicate Unto Your Lordships Service Most humbly Praying for the long life and Prosperity of Our Most Gracious Soveraign & that Your Lordship may Enjoy Long Over us A happy & Prosperous Government which to Support wee Shall dayly Study & Ever Acknowledge Our Selves Your Lordships most Obedient & most faithfull Servants.

Will Merrett May^{r}
James Graham Record^{r}

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[290] ORDERD the Mayor Issue his Warrant to yᵉ Treasurer for the Payment to the Late Bellmen the Sum of Sixty pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for their Service in that Office till the 25ᵗʰ day of March last past.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of yᵉ Sᵈ Citty on Munday the 11ᵗʰ day of April Anno Dom̄ 1698

Present William Merrett ESqʳ Mayor
James Graham ESqʳ Recorder
Paul Richard
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins } ESqʳˢ Aldermen
Gerrett Duyckinck
John Windower
ISaac D. Riemer } Assistants

RESOLVED that Dinner be prepared att the Charge of the Corporation for the Entertainment of his Excellency Richard Earle of Bellomont Capt Genᵗˡ And Governour in Chiefe of this Province and that Alderman Lewis Alderman Hutchins Mʳ Duyckinck And Mʳ D: Riemer be A Committee to make A Bill of Fare for yᵉ Sᵈ Entertainment and that for yᵉ Effectual doing thereof they Call to their Assistance Such Cooks as they Shall thinke Nessessary to Advise them in the Same And that the Mayor draw A Warrant on the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof.

[291] Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Munday the 23ᵈ day of May 1698

Present William Merrett ESqʳ Mayor
James Graham ESqʳ Recorder
Paul Richard
Jacob Boelen
John Hutchins
David Provoost } ESqʳˢ Alderman
Gerrett Duyckinck
ISaac D: Riemer
John Windower
John Euwatse } Assistants

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ORDER'D that for ye time to Come No Freemen be Admitted into this Citty but what Shall be Soe Allowed by the Mayor and three Aldermen pursuant to the directions of the Charter.

That No man for ye time to Come doe Claime A Right of being a freeman of this Citty that shall be Absent Out of the same for the Space of twelve Months Unless he Shall keep fire & Candle And pay Scott and Lott, And in Case Any person that is A freeman And Shall be Absent as Aforesaid and not pay Scott and Lott and Keep fire and Candle shall loose his freedom.

ORDER'D that the Alderman and Assistant of each Respective Ward within this Citty doe take Care that the Severall Streets within their Respective Wards that want paving be forthwith paved According to the Directions of An Ordinance of this Citty Entituled An Ordinance for paving the Streets Lanes & Allies within this Citty. And that for the more Effectuall doing thereof that the Alderman & Assistant of each Respective Ward doe Call to their Assistance the Surveyors of this Citty & that they doe Levell And Order the paving of the Said Streets as may be most Convenient for ye Inhabitants of the Same and the Generall Conveniency & Accommodation of the Inhabitants of ye Sd Citty.

[292] City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Sd Citty on Tuesday ye 14th day of June 1698

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins } ESqrs Aldermen
David Provoost
Isaac D: Riemer
John Euwatse
John Windower } Assistants
Evert Byvanke
Gerrett Duyckinck

ORDER'D that Alderman Lewis Alderman Provoost Mr D: Riemer and Mr Euwatse or Any three of them be A Committee forthwith to take A View of the Citty house att the Ferry And that they Imploy Workemen to Make Such Nessessary Repairs to the Same as they Shall think fitt, and that the Charge thereof be defrayed out of the Rent of the Ferry & that they make Reporte of their Actings herein to the Next Common Council

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Ordered that all those persons that have Lately purchased Lotts of Land in the Dock Street be Summoned to Appear before this board to morrow morning att Nine of the Clock to Show Cause why they doe not pay for y^e^ same According to Agreement; and that if they doe not Appear to Show Cause that then this board will take Such Course as y^e^ Law does Direct

Ordered that the Committee Last Appointed for the Auditing the Publick Accounts of this Citty be Continued till further Order. [293] Ordered the Farmers of the Dock be Summoned before the Mayor to Show Cause why they doe not Keep the Same in good Repair According to their Contract.

Ordered That Alderman Provoost & M^r^ Duyckinck doe take Care that the Publick house of Office on y^e^ Dock be Cleaned and put in good Repair And A Person Appointed Dayly to Keep the Same Clean and what Charge Accrues that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the Payment of the Same.

Order'd that the Alderman & Assistant of the North Ward doe take Care that the powder house & the fence About itt be put in good Repair.

Ordered the Committee that were formerly Appointed for the Repair of the Bridge by the Custom house doe finish the Same & bring in their Acc^t^ of the Charge thereof.

Ordered that Alderman Lewis Alderman Hutchins Alderman Provoost M^r^ D: Riemer M^r^ Euwatse & M^r^ Byvanke or y^e^ Mayor parte of them Calling the Recorder to their Assistance be A Committee to Examine all the Citty Laws and make an Extract of Such of them as are Nessessary to be Continued and w^t^ Repealed & make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of y^e^ Said Citty on Tuesday the 28^th^ day of June Anno Dom 1698

Present

William Merrett ESq^r^ Mayor
James Graham ESq^r^ Recorder
Paul Richard, Jacob Boelen } ESq^rs^ Aldermen

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Leonard Lewis, John Hutchins, David Provoost } ESq^rs^ Aldermen
John Windower, Evert Beyvanke, ISaac D: Riemer } Assistants

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ORDERED that all the Inhabitants of this Citty their Apprentices and Children that were here the time the Charter was Granted be Allowed Deemed & Esteemed Freemen of this Citty they Registring their Names in the Town Clerkes Office for which each person Soe Registred Shall pay Nine pence. Provided that None be Registered Under y^e^ Age of twenty one Years and that the said Register be taken before the Mayor and two Aldermen who are to Sitt every Tuesday morning att y^e^ Citty Hall from the hours of Nine to Eleaven of the Clock till the Same be perfected And that the Oath of A freeman of this Citty be Administred to all that Come to be Registred.

ORDERED That all the printed Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty be Continued in force for three Months Longer Except what Relates to the Inrollment of freemen and Apprentices

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to y^e^ Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas the sum of ten pounds ten Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke for Recording the Tax Roles of this Citty which was Allowed as A County in Gen^ll^ Quarter Sessions held in May last past And ORDERED the Treasurer pay the same.

[295] This Board taking into Consideration the Grieviance of being Deprived of the Sole Bolting of flower & Baking of Biskett for Transportation from this Province Order that the Recorder prepare an Address from this Board to my Lord p[r]aying for his Assistance for the Restoring Again the Priviledge of the Sole Bolting of Flower &c: to this Citty.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Wensday y^e^ 29^th^ day of June Anno Dom̄ 1698

Present William Merrett ESq^r^ Mayor
James Graham ESq^r^ Recorder
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost } ESq^rs^ Aldermen
Gerrett Duyckinck
ISaac D: Riemer
John Windower } Assistants

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Pursuant to the Order of the last Common Council the Recorder brought in A Draft of the Address to my Lord which was three times Read and Approved And ORDER'D to be Engrossed and *And* Entred in these words following (Viz^{t})

To His Excellency Richard Earle of Bellomont Capt Gen^{ll} and Governour in Chiefe of his Majesties Province of New Yorke &c: and Vice Admirall of the Same.

The Humble Address and Petition of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of his Maj^{ts} Citty and Corporation of New Yorke Conven'd in Common Council

[296] May itt please your Lordship

The Interest of the Crown was Never more Advanced in this Province then when the Inhabitants of this Citty Enjoyed their Just Rights and Priviledges and Never in Soe litle Esteem as Since they were Deprived thereof. the Incouragem^{t} of trade being the Only Support of the Revenue and the Decay thereof in these late Years may be Justly (Amongst Other things) Attributed to that Grievious Law which tooke Away the Sole Bolting of flower & Baking of Biskett for Transportation from this Citty and placed the Marcate thereof att Every Planters door throughout y^{e} Province by which means all trade is Reduced to Confusion and those y^{t} have laid Out their Estates in this Citty for y^{e} Accommodation of Traffique and in Expectation that the Rights & Priviledges they found therein Should be Continued to them and their Posterity are Now likely to Sinke and Perish. Wee therefore May itt please your Lordship think itt our duty with the Greatest of humility to Address your Excellency and lay before Your Lordships Prudent Consideration the decaying State of this Citty & Corporation who hath for these four years now Last past Groaned and Laboured under many burthens and Inconveniencies by Reason of the passing an Act of Assembly Entituled An Act Against unlawful by Laws and unreasonable forfeitures which hath Deprived this Citty of their Right of Sole Bolting of flower and Baking of Biskett for Transportation and hath thereby taken away the livelyhood of two thirds of the Inhabitants of this Citty which doe depend theron And Given the Same to About thirty persons in the Rest of the Government. And this Citty which was Accustomed to be the Granary of all these parts in America and Never had less in Store then fourty or fifty thousand Bushells of wheat [297] for the Accommodation of his Majesties Subjects is now Reduced to Soe great

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want and Extremity that itt Cannot procure Corne Enough in Store to Supply itts Inhabitants with their dayly Nessessities of bread and what in Town att Such Extravagant Rates that itt is become Very Oppresive to the poor. And whilst this Unhappy Act is in force itt will be Imposible to Reduce y^e^ Bakers of this Citty unto Any Order they Challenging the Same Benefitt that Every farmer of the Province Intitles himselfe to by the Said Act; this is not the Only Grieviance that Attends the Said Law but all the Trade on flower and Biskett Sent to the West Indies hath Since the passing of the Said Act fallen under Such Disreputation that itt will Not Yield Soe much by four of five Shilings ℔ hundred as that which Comes from Other ports And soe subject to Corruption for want of due Inspection which Cannot be Effected whilst there is Soe great A Latitude Given for the Bolting that in Probability the whole Trade will fall in A few Years to the totall Ruin of his Majesties Revenue And Decay of this Citty. Wee therefore

May itt pleass Your Excellency Most humbly Supplicate Your Lordship that You would be favourably pleased to lay our Complaint before his Most Sacred Majesty And take y^e^ deplorable State of this Citty under Your Lordships Patronage & Protection & Represent the Injuries that Must attend his Majesty in his Government of this Province as well as the Absolute decay of this Citty if the Said Act Should Continue longer in force all which Shall be Ever Gratefully and humbly Acknowledged by this Corporation who Only Value themselves by their Constant Loyalty to his Majesty and their Strict and faithfull Obedience to his Majesties Laws which they will allways render by Supporting Your Lordship in the Administration of Your Government Ag^t^ all Your Adversaries with all that is Dear Unto us. and as in duty bound Shall Ever pray &c:

Will Merrett Mayor
James Graham Recorder

John Eutwatse Gerrett Duyckinck ISaac D: Reimer	Assistants	Jacob Boelen Leonard Lewis John Hutchins David Provoost

} Aldermen

[298] Itt is Considered that the Sum of fifty pounds Sterling be Raised Upon y^e^ Credit of y^e^ Citty to be Imployed by an Agent att home in England for y^e^ Representing the State of this Citty Unto his Majesty

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and the Lords Commissioners of Trade And Plantations in Order to the having the Said Act Repealed And the Sole Bolting of flower and baking of Biskett for Transportation Restored Again to the Citty and that the Mayor Recorder Alderman Lewis and Mr D: Riemer be A Committee of this Board for ye Raising of ye said Money & Imploying of An Agent for the Said Service And for drawing of Instructions to the Said Agent together with Reasons agt ye said Bolting Act and make Reporte with all Convenient Speed of What they Shall doe therein And that the Said Committee doe waite Upon my Lord with the said Address.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer of this Citty for the paying to Jarvis Marshall the Sum of five pounds Currant Money of New Yorke in full of halfe years Sallary due the fifteenth day of November last past.

ORDERED that the Mayor Alderman Boelen and Alderman Hutchins be A Committee to Agree with Carpenters for the Building A Pew in Trinity Church for the use of ye Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of this Citty and for their Successors and make Reporte of their Acting herein with all Convenient Speed.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Wensday the 29th day of June Anno Dom 1698

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost } ESqrs Aldermen

[299]
John Euwatse
ISaac D Riemer
Gerrett Duyckinck } Assistants

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Jarvis Marshall the Sum of five pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe Years Sallary as Marshall of this Citty due the 15th day of May last past & ORDER'D the Treasurer pay the Same.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Thursday the 7th day of July Anno Dom 1698

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Paul Richard
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost } ESqrs Aldermen
John Euwatse
ISaac D: Riemer
John Windower } Assistants

The Mayor did Reporte what was Concluded by the Committee Appointed for the Representing the State of this Citty to his Majesty And the Lords Commissioners of Trade and Plantation in Order to have the Bolting Act Repealed &c: That the Said Committee had Drawn up the State of the Citty & Reasons for the Repealing the Bolting Act and Such Other papers as are Mentioned in the following List And that he had also Raised the Sum of fivety pounds New-Yorke Money towards the Sum Mentioned in the Said Order and that fifteen pounds is Still wanting to Compleat the Same Sterling Money. Whereupon itt is ORDERED that the Mayor Raise Out of the Rent of the Ferry fifteen pounds more to Compleat the Said Sum of [300] fifty pounds Sterling And that the Same be paid unto the Recorder in Order to his Procuring A Bill of Exchange to be Imployed for the use Aforesaid. And the Said papers being all Read were Unanimously Approved by this board And ORDER'D the Same be Remitted into England by the Recorder And that he Solicite the Accomplishm! therof by all Opportunities And What Answers he Shall Receive thereon he Return to this board Accordingly And if the Said Request be Accomplished this Board will Satisfie and pay the Just and Reasonable Charge in Obtaining ye Same And that all the Papers Now Read And Approved be Certifyed Under ye Seale of the Citty.

ORDERED that Alderman Hutchins and Mr Euwatse doe Audite the Accounts of Henry Jourdaine and Make Reporte thereof with the first Conveniency

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of four pounds Seaventeen Shilings & Six pence Currant Money of New Yorke to Joseph Davis itt being for Severall Charges

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made in his houses by the Mayor Aldermen and Common Council on Severall Publick Occasions & particularly on my Lord Bellamonts Arrival & Order'd the Treasurer pay y^e^ Same.

Here followeth Severall papers Relating to y^e^ Repealing y^e^ Bolting Act

The Case of New Yorke

In the Year of Our Lord 1619 The Citty of New Yorke was founded by the People of the Neither Dutch Nation and had Granted to the Inhabitants then Settled by the States Generall of the United Provinces And the West India Company the Severall [301] Rights and Priviledges Recited in A Schedule hereunto Annexed which Rights and Priviledges were Successively Confirmed by all the Dutch Directors and Governours y^t^ were Commisionated And Appointed by the Said Staaets Gen^ll^ and the great West India Company and were held an[d] Enjoyed by the Inhabitants and Burgers of the Said City whilst the Same was under y^e^ power And Subjection of that Government And Upon the Surrender of the Same unto the Crown of England Among y^e^ Rest of the Articles Agreed Upon by Gen^ll^ Nicolls and y^e^ Rest of the Commissioners Authorized Under the Broad Seale of England itt was Agreed that the Inhabitants of the Said Citty Should Continue to Possess and Enjoy all the former Rights Priviledges usages Customs & Practices held and Enjoyed by them And Remaine A Corporation without Any Other Change or Variation but in Lieu of Burger Masters and Schepens (the Name by which they were formerley Incorporate) they Should Afterwards be term'd and distinguished by the Name of the Mayor and Aldermen of the Citty of New Yorke as by the Articles of Surrender and the Commission of Gen^ll^ Nicolls to the first Mayor doth Appear by all which Grants the Said Citty was Called and by all the Inhabitants of the Province Esteemed & Reputed the Metropolis Staple Porte and the Only Publick Markett of the Province And without Interruption Enjoyed Many Rights and Priviledges And According to its Growth and Improvement was Govern'd in its Trade and Other Conveniencies by itts Own Laws And the Same Practices Confirm'd by Governour Lovelace During his Administration And Afterwards by the Dutch Governour when he tooke the Province from the English and when the Same by Articles of Peace was Redelivered to the Crown S^r^ Edmond Andros who was then Authorized to Receive the Province under the broad Seale of England did by his Proclamation Confirme & Ratifie the Said Rights

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and Priveledges unto the Said Citty of New Yorke The Said Sr Edmund Andros as a further marke of his Care [302] *of his Care* of his Majestys Interest and for the Encouragemt And Propogation of Trade did by his Proclamation Prohibitt the Transportation of wheat that the Same might be Improved by the Inhabitants of this Citty in Bolting itt into flower & to Bake Biskett for Transportation and for their Encouragement did by Order of Council Confine the Sole Bolting of flower And Baking of Biskett for Transportation unto this Citty Under the Penalty of forfeiture which Priviledge was Confirmed by Coll Dongan And the Citty Continued in the Enjoyment of itt untill the Year 1694 where by an Act of Assembly Entituled An Act Agt unlawfull by Laws and Unreasonable forfeitures they were disposs[ess]ed of all their Said Rights And Every Planters house in the Province made a Mercate for the Sale of wheat and Bolting of Flower & Biskett by which means the Inhabitants of this Citty hath been often Reduced to the Extremity of the want of Bread to the great Oppression of the poor. And this Citty which formerly (when itt Enjoyed the Sole Bolting of flower) was the Granary of all this Continent of America there Never being less then fourty or fifty thousand Bushells of wheat in Store for the Supply of Any Exigency that might happen for his Majesties Service but Since they have been deprived of that Priviledge there hath been Scarcely One thousand Bushells in store to Supply the dayly Nessessity of ye people with bread. And this Calamity hath not Attended the Citty Alone but hath had the Same Effects throughout the Province for through this Libertisme of Trade and Confusion of Mercate the whole Governmt is Reduced into An Anarchy Every man doing what seemeth Good in his Own Eyes and particularly those that Bolt in the Country haue Corrupted the flower they Bolt with A Mixture of Other Grains with wheat to such A Degree that the Reputation of New Yorke flower which formerly was in Such Esteem in the West Indies that itt was Sold att A higher Rate then Any Other and now fallen soe [303] Low that itt will not Yield by five Shilings ℔ Cent. Soe much as Others and the Complaints from the Indies Soe Numerous that ye Whole Trade is likely to fall and Perish. And the Trade of the Province Since the Removall of the Bolting from this Citty is Sencibly Decayed and by that Means the Revenue much Lessned Soe that the hurte and Prejudice that hath Attended ye Licentious Bolting throughout the Province is Soe Obvious that itt will Not Admitt of A Contradiction when the following State is Considered.

When the Citty Enjoyed the Bolting these Advantages did Accrue to the Government. from the year 79

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There was in Town when the Bolting began in the year 1678 Only 343 houses in the Year 1696 594 New buildings added which Increase Only to be Attributed to the Bolting.

The Revenue in Years 78. 79. 80 Not Exceeding 2000l did Afterwards Annually Encrease that itt Amounted in the year 1687 to 5000l and if itt had been duely Inspected would have Amounted to Near 7 or 8000l Since the year 94 that the Bolting was Removed Revenue Decreased. There was in the Year 78 3 Ships 7 Boats 8 Sloops. There belonged in the year 94 60 Ships 40 Boats 62 Sloops Since which time Navigation Decreased. in the year 78 did not Kill above 400 beefs in 94 near 4000 Killed Lands were then of Low Vallew now Advanced to ten times their Value Since the Bolting att New Yorke of the 983 houses that are in New Yorke 600 of them Depend Upon Bolting In the Country there are only three Countys (Viz!) Kings Queens & Ulster County and in them all Not Aboue thirty Bolters which Enhanse all the wheat of the said Countys for their Private Gaine Soe that too feed 30 600 families Must Perish att New Yorke if the Bolting Act Continues in force in the 3 Counties Not 500 families in New Yorke above 8000 Souls Soe that itt is plainly Manifest that these following Inconveniencys must Ensue if the Act Continue in force

[304] The Revenue & Trade of the Province
The Navigation
The Granary att New Yorke for ye Supplying in time of Exigency
The Buildings of New Yorke fall to Decay
The People Desert
The Government become mean & Despicable for want of A Support
The Money departe Out of the Province to Our Neighbours and all things Reduced to Confusion Even to the dissolution of ye Province

THE RECORDERS LETTER TO YE COMMITTEE APPOINTED IN COMMON COUNCIL TO ADDRESS HIS MAJESTY.

Messieurs Jacobus V: Cortlandt Johannes Kip Brandt Schuyler Robt Darkins Aldermen And You the Rest of the Committee Appointed in Common Council to Address his Majesty

GENTLEMEN

I am Truely Concern'd for the great heate I Observed Among You att our last Meeting, att the halfe way house but the More when I Can See no Ground for them if wee Can Spare time to Reflect upon the Concern that is under Consideration wee will finde itt of No less

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weight then the livelyhood of all the Inhabitants of New Yorke and of how great Importe itt is to Manage that Affair with the greatest discretion wee Can make our Selves Master of You may all Judge. if my Memory doe not faile me the Mayor Called A Common Council and desired their advice Concerning the dayly Complaints he had of the want of bread & how itt Might be Remedied whereupon an Inquiry was made into the Quantity of Corne that was in the Citty and there was Only found About Seaven hundred Schepels of wheat which was thought not to be Sufficient for bread to the Inhabitants above A Week And did Assign the Cause of that Scarcity to proceed from An Act of Assembly Entituled An Act Agt unlawfull [305] Bylaws and Unreasonable forfeitures which taking away the Mercate &c: from the Citty and placing itt att the Door of Every Plantation in the Province itt was Impossible to have the Inhabitants Regularly Supplyed with bread unless the Mercate &c: was Restored Again to the Citty to which the people Might have Recourse for their dayly Subsistance with bread and that this Violence being done to the Citty by the Said Act of Assembly there was litle Grounds to Expect itt Could be Repealed here therefore Unanimously Agreed that an Address Should be made unto his Majesty for Repealing the Same and Restoring to the Citty the Sole Mercate of Corne and Bolting of flower and Baking of Biskett for Transportation &c: And that the Same Might be Effectually done that his Excellency and Council Should be Acquainted with what Should be Concluded therein and their Assistance desired therein to Avoid All Misunderstandings & Obstructions in Soe weighty And Soe Needfull A Design And Appointed A Committee to Examine the Rights and Priviledges of the Said Citty and to draw an Address unto his Majesty for the Obtaining the Premisses which Committee Appointed Alderman Cortlandt & Kip to Speak to me being Acquainted with the Citty Rights to Draw ye Same Pursuant to the Said Order. I did Draw an Address or Petition to his Majesty And in the Consideration thereof did think itt the best Method to lay first before his Majesty the Motives that Induced the Inhabitants to Transporte themselves from their Native Countrys and Next upon What Inducemt they Planted themselves and laid Out their Estates att this place and then the Advantages that Did thereby Accrue Unto his Majesty in the Encrease of his Revenue and Empire And to what a Degree itt had been Advanced Since his Majestys Reign And that itt would have Continued Growing to greater perfection if [it] had not been discouraged by the Aforesaid Act of Assembly which tooke Away the Mercate from New Yorke And the Other Benefitts which were the Only Cause of the En-

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crease & Advancement [306] thereof And that if Not Again Restored then the Inhabitants Must Either perish or Transport themselves unto Other places which will lay the Said Citty and its Improvements waste & by that Lesson his Majesties Said Empire. In this Method I have laid the present State of the Citty before his Majesty in the Address or Petition I Transmitted Unto you and that the same is true in all its Circumstances I have not only Maintained itt with Arguments that was therewith sent You but also Directed You to finde the Orders and Grants of y^e^ Respective Governours and Councill of the Province Confirming the same to the Citty.

Now GENTLEMEN this being the Method this being the truth According to the Resolves of Common Council where is the Defect what is the Cause of Such heate. Yea there is Cause the Stile is Defective itt is not done with Suitable words but with Billingsgate language that lays att my door and I think I can Justly Defend itt therefore Alloy Your heats and I will both Vindicate the language And Save the Government from Arraignment as falsely Suggested. itt Seems Upon Inquiry y^e^ Government is Arraigned and the Unseemly language are contained in these words ("And in that Growing and flourishing State itt had Continued if Your Majesties Benign favours and Protection to your Majesties said Citty had not been Interrupted by an unaccountable And Rash humour that Seized Upon the Assembly of this your Majesties Province Precipitating them into Such a Convulsion that without thought or Consideration they Unadvisadly passed an Act Entituled An Act Ag^t^ unlawfull by laws and Unreasonable Forfeitures[)"]. I thought his Majesty was to be Addressed to Repeale this Act that was and is the Cause of the want of bread Amongst us And since itt is Such in what terms Shall itt be Represented Shall wee Speak unto his Majesty in an Unknown tongue or Shall *be* [we] Magisterially Require him to Repeale A Law without discovering Its Defects or Assigning the hurte itt does himselfe or his people [307] Or Shall wee pray him to Repeale A Law that was past upon due Deliberation And in the Consideration thereof their was weighed all the Advantages and disadvantages that might happen to y^e^ Subjects in the Province and that all persons that had Anything to Say in defence of these unreasonable bylaws & unlawfull forfeitures (So termed) that was by the Aforesaid law made Voide were heard And thereupon itt was Apparent that the Confining of y^e^ Mercate of Corne & Bolting &c: to New Yorke was A Grieviance & hurtfull to the Province And itt did also Appear to be more for his Majesties Interest And the good of all his Subjects in the Province that the Same Should be att Every Planters Door Rather than

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att New Yorke. if upon these terms his Majesty was to be Addressed how Impertinent Should wee be in the first place And in the Next how undutifull and Rebellious And in the last how unreasonable and Unjust and troublesome Should wee have been. What then Shall wee doe Shall wee Speak truth and Say that itt was Wickedly & Malitiously Contrived to take Away the livelyhood of two hundred families that Bolts in New Yorke And Give the Benefitt to About thirty families that Bolts in Ulster King & Queens Countys, or Shall wee Say that they tooke the Mercate from New Yorke that about Eight thousand Souls therein Should perish for want of bread to Give plenty to About 1500 that are in the Aforesaid Counties or Shall Wee Say that Whereas New Yorke by the Revenue and Aditional Duty brings the King five or six thousand pounds ℔ Annum they will Ease New Yorke of that Burthen and the Said Counties that has now the Benefitt of the Mercate & Mercate will for the future punctually pay the Said Sum and Also the third of the Taxes that New Yorke pays or shall wee Say that the Said Act hath Given Liberty to Any Number of persons that Can raise twenty or thirty thousand pounds to buy all the Corne in the Province and to force the Inhabitants thereof to Give them their price or 20 or 30 Shilings ℔ Bushell Otherwise Must Remove or Starve for want of bread for where there is no certaine Mercate Affixed there Can be Neither Regrating nor [308] Forestalling to bring the purchasers under the Penalties of these Laws. Now all these are truths and the Naturall Consequences that Attends the Said Law, and if [it] Should much longer Continue in force would be really put in Practice and if You Express itt in Such Terms is Nothing but truth but yett have not been soe Uncharitable, in what Smooth Terms Shall Wee then Express the Truth And Informe his Majesty of the Evills the Said Act has brought and dayly brings what more Modest Could be Invented to the truth before his Majesty then to Assign the Cause of all these Evills that doe threaten the Citty, to proceed from A Rash humour which is An Apology and Excuseth the failings of the best of men And what answer Shall be made unto his Majesty if he Should Aske have not I Granted You an Assembly has Not ye Citty of New Yorke four Burghers in the Said Assembly how Came that they were not heard in their Objections Against the Said Law if the Said Act was not Reasonable why did not You make Your Defense there why doe you trouble me with Matters that Can be better discussed Upon the place where there must be Plenty of Evidence to Illustrate the truth, I am Apprehensive You are Clamerous for having Given You the power to make Laws You doubtless weigh Every thing for the publick good what Answer Can be made to

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these Queries but the truth it was Conceived by A Rash humour itt was hastily passed and wee had not time to make our Defence they wear Soe fond of the thing that they would not have Patience to hear what might be Objected And Soe having No Reliefe but from your Majesty is the Cause of Our Application if this be not Modest I Know not what belongs to Modesty And that wee might have ye Assistance of his Excellency and Council in Our Said Address what Could I doe more then to fix the Rashness upon the Assembly And to leave his Excellency And Council Out & as in truth itt was made that house both the Contrivor & hurryer of the passing the Said Act. and yt this is Soe Evident & Can meet with No Other Just Construction I doe Apeale to the Stile of his Majesties Letters Pattents which [309] Calls the house of Representatives the Assembly and itt being to the King wee Address Knows best his Own Stile besides the Printed Votes will also tell You, that itt is the Customary Stile from his Excellency and Council in all Messages to the house Soe that I think itt is Sufficiently Manifest there is no Arraingment of his Excellency and Council as was Unjustly Objected. I can See noe Reason why my writings Should have been Soe Exposed to the Censures of those that Neither Knew ye Motives Nor the truth of what was Transacting. I hope I have Sufficiently Removed all the Obstacles that Produced the heats att our last Meeting what does there Now Remaine but that You Communicate this my letter Unto the Mayor and Council together with the Address and Reasons for the Maintaining itt and Lett them Judge if there has been Either Departure from the Resolves & Duty. I have no Cause to Change my Minde I did allways think that the Improvement of the Citty was the Encrease of his Majesties Empire & Interest and the Only Benefitt of the Province in Genll that itt Could or Can Receive therefore Knows Nothing of Greater Moment in the whole Governmt than that the Same be duely Regulated Either by Appointing the Mercate att the Citty Again or att Some Other place of the Province to which the Subjects may have Recourse for bread Rather than perish by Stupid Ignorance. I dare likewise boldly Affirme that in the whole world where there is Any Settled Governmt Even under the barbarousest of Constitutions there was Never A greater Act of Improvidence than to take Away the Mercate of Corne from One place without fixing itt att Some Other Certaine place within the Same whereunto people that Neither plow nor Sow nor Reape May have Recourse to buy bread for their Natural Subsistance. I have Now Wearied You to much yett I Could not Say less but to Silence all gainsayers and that the truth may be manifest without Malitious Misconstructions I doe Again desire You to lay be-

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fore the Council Your Proceedings that all things may be Accomodated for the publick good & that the Subjects may not longer Suffer by our foolish Mistakes.

I am Gen^{t} Your Most humble Serv^{t}

Fortabell x ^{br} 21th 1696 Ja: Graham.

[310] Reasons Humbly Offered in Defence of y^{e} Rights & Priviledges of his Majesties Citty of New Yorke in America.

The Citty of New Yorke was first founded by the people of the Nether Dutch Nation in the Year of Our Lord 1619 And they had Granted to them by the Staets Generall of y^{e} United Provinces and the West India Company Sundry Rights and Priviledges that are Recited in A Schedule hereunto Annexed which Rights and Priviledges have been Successively Confirm'd by all the Dutch directors & governours that were Commissionated and Appointed by the Aforesaid States Gen^{ll} And the Great West India Company and were held And Enjoyed by the Inhabitants & Burgers of the Said Citty whilst the Same was under y^{e} power and Subjection of that Government And Upon the Surrender of the Same Unto the Crown of England. Amongst the Rest of the Articles Agreed Upon by Generall Nicolls and the Rest of y^{e} Commissioners Authorized Under the broad Seale of England did Agree that the Inhabitants of this Citty Should Continue to Possess And Enjoy all the former Rights Priviledges Usages Customs And Practices held and Enjoyed by them and Remaine A Corporation without Any Other Change or Variation but in Liew of Burgo Masters and Schepen (the Name by which they were formerly Incorporate) they Should be Afterwards termed And Distinguished by the Name of the Mayor & Aldermen of the Citty of New Yorke as doth more fully Appear by the Aforesaid Articles of Surrender and the Commission of Gen^{ll} Nicolls to the first Mayor of the Said City after the said Surrender Relation being thereunto Whereby itt is Manifest that the Said Citty doth Lawfully Challenge A Right to all these Usages & Customs itt formerly held and Enjoyed and [311] Though the Said Customs Cannot strictly be Soe termed According to the Laws of England Yett they are of the like force having been allways without Controule or Contradiction Since the first Settlement of the Said Citty itt having been allways the Metropolis Staple Porte and the Only publick Mercate of the whole Province and hath allways without Interruption Enjoyed all the Aforesaid Priviledges According to Its Growth and Improvement. and Soe by that Means hath been allways termed

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An Ancient Citty and that Justly there being Nothing more Ancient in this Province then the time when itt was first Settled and att that time itt was Incorporate by the Name of the Citty of New Amsterdam and Govern'd in its trade by its own Laws and Albeit itt is not one thousand Years old Yett itt is Older then Any Other Citty Corporation or being within this Province all or most of the Settlements in the Same proceeding from itt. And fell upon the Improvement of Tillage whereby Graine is become the Stable Commodity of the Province and the Cittizens of the Said Citty No Sooner perceived that there were greater quantities of wheat Raised than Could be Consumed within the Said Province but they Contrived and Invented the Act of Bolting by which they Converted the Wheat into flower And made itt A Manufacture not only profitable to all the Inhabitants of the Province by the Incouragement of Tillage and Navigation but likewise beneficial And Commodius to all his Majesties Plantations. and the Improvem[t] thereof in this Citty is the true and only Cause of the Growth Strength and Encrease of buildings within the Same and of the Riches Plenty of Money and the rise of the Value of Lands in the Other parts of the Province but the livelyhoed of all the Inhabitants of this Citty doe Chiefly Depend thereon. And this hath been the Sentiments of all the Governments and of those that have had the power under the Crown of England to Rule y[e] Said Plantation as itt doth Appear by their Severall Orders and Proclamations making the Said Citty the Only porte Prohibiting from time to time the [312] Transportation of wheat and Appointing that No flower Should be Bolted or Biskett baked for Transportation but att this Citty. Now the Reason why this Citty was Soe Incorporated & had Granted to them the aforesaid Rights and Priviledges is because the first founders of the Same were not Suffered by the then Government to Extend themselves into particular Settlements Untill first there should be Gathered together A Sufficient Number of People att this place that Might be of A Reasonable force for their Common Security & defence Whereupon they began to fortifie and finding this place of their scituation to be Very Barren and unfitt by their Industry to make them Any Return for their Subsistance itt was therefore Projected that all Such as would fix themselves att this place Should only Adict themselves to trade for the Accommodation of those that Should goe Settle in the Country y[t] they might be plentifully Supplyed with such things as was Nessessary for Cultivation And likewise that they might finde att this place A Mercate to Vend what they raised from their Industry and that the trade thereof might be more Regula[r]ly Managed the Said Inhabitants had power

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Given them to make Laws Rules and Orders for the Government of the Same Trade & the good and weale of the Burgers and Inhabitants of the said Citty by which Reglement And Good Order this Citty did Encrease in People Strength and Riches to such A Degree that itt became the Envy of the Crown of England which thereupon fitted out A fleet Under the Command of Genⁿ Nicolls who in the year 1664 did Reduce the Said Citty and Province Unto the Alleigance of his Majesties Said Crown of England And those Steps that were made by the Dutch Government for yᵉ Encouragemᵗ of Trade & this Citty were Soe Reasonable that the English Governours haue successively as Aforesaid Confirmed the same Soe their being Such A Succession of Accord Among the Rulers and Supream Magistrates that have been from time to time Entrusted with [313] The Government of this Province both under the Dutch & English Administration in the Severall Changes from the first Settlement to the year 1694 that this Citty Should Enjoy all i'ts Franchises Rights and Priviledges Aforesaid itt Cannot be A Doubt after soe Genⁿ an Agreement Amongst Soe many Distinct persons the Rulers and Governours of the Said Province Att Soe Many Different times and of Such different Circumstances but all these Customs Usages Practices &c: of this Citty are Reasonable And Even of the like force as if they were time out of Minde Since no time hath Obstructed them and all these Practices and Priviledges Used and Exercised by the Said Citty in manner aforesᵈ are not only highly Reasonable in themselves but warranted by the Conditional Settlements of all the Out Plantations. for while this Province was under the Dutch Government they were Soe Jealous of the Trade of this Citty that they would not permitt any Settlement to be made in Any place within their Jurisdiction but under Such Restrictions as they thought Convenient for yᵉ Security of their Trade And particularly did Restraine the Inhabitants of Hudsons River and Long Island that they Should not Plant nor Manadge any parte of Husbandry without paying the tenth parte of what they Raised unto the Government and besides did Oblige the Planters that they Should not Apply themselves to Any Trade but Only to husbandry. And that the Inhabitants of Albany Should Only Apply themselves Unto the Indian Trade And All their Grants or Patents had that Reservation of Tenure in them Yielding Rendring and paying all Such Duties and Acknowledgments as are now Established or hereafter Should be by the Governmᵗ Coll Nicolls Coll Lovelace & Sʳ Edmond Andros did Retaine the Said Tenures in all their Grants And Patents they made During their Respective Administrations of the Government Yett Nevertheless Soe great was the Clemency

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of the English Governm^t that they Removed from the husbandman that Grievious Yoake And placed in lieu thereof the bare Acknowledgm^t of A Small quitt Rent Since which time by the [314] Providence of the Cittyzens of the Said Citty in finding out forreign Marketts for the flower Giving them good Rates for their wheat and Other Grains and Provisions they raise finding allways A ready Markett att this Citty and brought Great Quantities of Money into the Province in Return of the flower & Biskett that is transported as Aforesaid whereby the husband men are grown Rich and not only forgett thereby the former tasks and Obligations they lay under but also the Advantages they have and doe dayly reape by the Providentiall Care and Industry of the Merchants of New Yorke and in Return of all these Advantages Nothing Seems now to Satisfie them but an Annihalation of the Said City and that Every Plantation may be A Marte for Traffique and A Porte for Navigation Not Considering what itt is that Makes A Mercate or Gives life to Navigation, but the English Governours as well as the Dutch have likewise had An Esteem for trade and the Generall good of the Province that they would not permitt Any Incroachment to be made Upon the Priviledges of this Citty itt being the Only place Conveniently Scituated in the Province to be the porte of the Same and Only Capable of Improveing the Staple Commodity of the Province which is not only profitable by y^t Improvem^t to all the Inhabitants in the Province in Gen^ll but Serviceable as formerly Regulated Unto all his Majesties Subjects in the West Indies. there was therefore A Nessessity that the bolting of flower for Transportation to be Confined Unto one Certaine place that itt might be Strictly Viewed and Examined that there might be no Mixture or Corruption therein ESpecially now Since itt is now become Soe usefull in Trade and on which the lives of his Majesties Subjects in the West Indies doe soe much Depend and itt is Apparent without Contradiction that the whole Province Cannot Afford another porte soe Conveniently [315] Seated for trade and the Transportation of the Said Commodity as this Citty and itt is absolutely Impossible to Manadge that trade Att Any Other place in this Province with honour to the King profitt to the people or lastly to his Maj^ts subjects in y^e Plantations therefore itt is no Imposition nor Any Violence to property or Right of the Subject for his Majesty to Confine the Bolting of flower And Baking Biskett for Transportation to this Citty Only the Advantages Aforesaid being to the Common wealth and the Same Justly warranted by Reason Experience and the Laws of England which has Confined the making and sale of many Manufactures to One place only and particularly Greater Restrictions

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Upon the Sale of Corne then Upon Any Other thing & ESpecially that None Shall be Sold or Soe much as Changed for seed but in Open Mercate how unlawfull must itt then be to make Every husband mans barne A Mercate for itt in the Province. Now all these Priviledges formerly held by the Citty of New Yorke are for the Common good because they bring A Benefitt to the King A Profitt to the Cittizens and to all his Majesties Subjects throughout the Province and to all Other that trade and Repair to the Same. In the first place they bring A Profitt to the King because there is A Revenue Established upon Trade that is to Say upon the Merchandizes Imported & Exported from the Said Citty by which the Charge of the Government is defrayed And the peace thereof preserved and the Subjects therein Secured in their Properties, for if the trade of the Province were not Confin'd to one Certaine porte and particularly to this Citty which is in A Manner Seated in the Centre for the Accommodation of all the Out Settlements itt would be Impossible to Raise Any Revenue, for if all the Creeks within the Province were Admitted to be ports y^e^ whole Revenue would not be Sufficient to Maintaine y^e^ Officers Proper for the Inspection of itt, Soe that if Any Alteration Should be of the Ports the Revenue must Certainly Sinke and that Benefitt Arising to the King lost and his Majesty thereby discouraged to Give us further protection; for itt Cannot be Imagined that y^e^ husband [316] Man Notwithstanding of his great Riches and Capacity to manadge the Trade of the Province as their barne doors would be willing by A Tax to Raise A Revenue to his Majesty for y^e^ defraying the Charge of the Government when there is Soe great A Murmuring in the payment of the Taxes that are Raised for the Security of the fronteers So that as that is A Monstrous body that is all head soe this Province would be Very Miserable if there Should be any Change of i'ts head or Metropolis for itt would be Very unable Either to Secure itt selfe or Increase in Trade Soe that the Confining the Bolting of flower and Baking of Biskett for Transportation to this Citty brings A Certaine profitt to the King by the Revenue, and Albeit itt be the least and most barren Spott of Ground in the whole Province Yett by the Intercourse of Trade itt payeth Annually within A Small matter one third parte of all the Taxes of the Province besides the whole Revenue: Itt bringeth likewise A Benefitt to all y^e^ Cittizens And Others for Upon the Expectation of Traffique Merchants had Recourse to this Cittty And the Inhabitants were Incouraged Upon the hope thereof to Transporte themselves and their Estates from their Native Country and fix att this Citty for if they had not found A Mercate here for what they brought they would

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have been Discouraged & Returned but finding A Mart for what they brought And Other Commodities att this place Suitable for Returns they Continued their Trade and for the better Managem^{t} of itt Settled themselues and laid Out A Considerable parte of their Estates in Buildings for the Accommodation of Traffique. which bringeth them dayly Advantages whereas if they had not depended that this place as itt was the Sole Mart of the Province Soe that itt Should Continue to be such they would have Transplanted themselves to Other places for Neither Merch^{t} nor Tradesman Can live without Trade and Commerce and if itt were not for Trade No Man would be Encouraged to Improve more than [317] What he has Occasion for then this Vast Countrey would Neither be Subdued nor peopled. And that itt is for the Generall good of all the Inhabitants of the Said Province itt is Very Evident for before that Invention of Bolting flower the Husband men were Very low And Mean in their Stock buildings and Apparell & feeding and what they raised att soe low A Rate y^{t} what they Produced from their labour did Very meanly Cloth them Whereas Since that time they began to Bolt att New Yorke for Transportation the Navigation is Considerably Increased the Lands much more in Value the people better Cloathed the husband man much Eased of his labour by the help of Slaves And A Considerable Increase of the Stock of Cattle and Sould att double y^{e} Price of what they were formerly and for Instance about fourteen Years Agoe there was not above four hundred Neat Cattle Killed for the Service of the Inhabitants of this Citty and Now Near three thousand head besides Sheep and Other Small Cattle which fully demonstrates that as y^{e} Trade of the Province was Regulated and Confined to the Citty all the Inhabitants thereof doe thereby Receive Constant Benefitt Whereas if Otherwise the Inhabitants of this Province would be like their Neighbours in Plymouth & Connecticutt Collonies Virginia and Maryland who for want of A Publick Mart like unto this Citty have Very litle Shiping belonging to them And their people Meanly Cloathed and ill Supplyed with Other things Nessessary for Comfortable living.

All which Reasons may be Sufficient to Convince Any man of Business that by the Citty holding and Enjoying all their former Rights And Priviledges and ESpecially y^{e} Right of the Sole Bolting of Flower and Baking of Biskett for Transportation the King will have A Certaine Benefitt by the Encrease of his Revenue the husband man A Certaine [318] Profitt by having A Mercate for his Corne and the Province in Gen^{ll} A great Advantage by Encourageing the Citty whereby itt may Grow in Strength and Navigation.

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Articles of Surrender to Coll Nicolls

These following Articles were Consented to by the persons hereunder Subscribed att the Governours Bowry August y^e^ 27^th^ Old Stile 1664.

1 Wee Consent that the States Gen^ll^ or the West India Company Shall freely Enjoy all farms and houses (Except Such as are in the forte) and that within Six Months they Shall have free Liberty to Transport all Such Arms and Ammunition as Now doe belong to them or Else they Shall be paid for them.

2^d^ All Publique houses Shall Continue for the Uses which Now they are for

3^d^ All people Shall continue free Denizens and Enjoy their Lands houses Goods Ships Wheresoever they are within this Country And dispose of them as they please.

4 If Any Inhabitant have A Minde to Remove himselfe he Shall haue A Year and Six weeks from this day to Remove himselfe wife Children Servants Goods & to dispose of his Lands here.

5 If Any Officer of State or Publique Minister of State have A Minde to goe for England they shall be Transported freight free in his Majesties Frigotts when these Frigotts Shall Return thither.

6 Itt is Consented to that Any people may freely Come from the Netherlands and Plant in this Country and that dutch Vessells May freely Come hither And Any of the dutch may freely [319] Return home or send Any Sorte of Merchandizes home in Vessells of their Own Country.

7 All Ships from the Netherlands or any Other place and Goods therein Shall be Received here and Sent hence after y^e^ manner which formerly they were before our Coming hither for Six Months Next Ensueing.

8 The Dutch here Shall Enjoy the Liberty of their Consciences in Divine worship And Church discipline

9 No Dutch man here or Dutch Ships here Shall Upon Any Occasion be prest to Serve in Warr Ag^t^ Any Nation Whatsoever.

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10 That the Townsmen of Manhattan Shall not have any Soldier Quartered Upon them without being Satisfied and paid for them by their Officers And that att this present if the forte be not Capable of Lodging all the Soldiers then the Burgomaster by his Officers Shall Appoint some houses Capable to Receive them

11 The Dutch here Shall Enjoy their Own Customs Concerning their Inheritances.

12 All Publick writings and Records which Concerne the Inheritances of Any People or the Reglement of y^e^ Church or poor or Orphans Shall be Carefully Kept by those in whose hands Now they are and Such writings as particularly Concern the States Gen^ll^ May att Any time be Sent to them.

13 No Judgm^t^ that hath passed Any Judicature here shall be Called in Question but if Any Conceive he hath not had Justice done him if he Apply himselfe to the States Gen^ll^ the Other party Shall be bound to Answer for the Supposed Injury

[320] 14 If Any Dutch living here Shall att Any time desire to travell or Traffique into England or any place or Plantation in Obedience to his Majesty of England or with the Indians he Shall have Upon his Request to the Gouvernour A Certificate that he is A free Denizen of this place and Liberty to doe Soe.

15 If itt does Appear that there is A Publick Engagement of debt by the Town of Manhattans And A way agreed On for the Satisfying of that Engagement itt is Agreed that the Same way propos'd Shall goe on and that the Engagem^t^ Shall be Satisfied.

16 All Inferiour Civil Officers and Magistrates Shall Continue as Now they are (if they please) till the Customary time of New Elections And then New ones to be Chosen by themselves Provided that Such New Chosen Magistrates Shall take y^e^ Oath of Alleigance to his Majesty of England before they Enter upon their Office.

17 All Differences of Contracts and Bargains made before this day by Any in this Country Shall be determined According to the Manner of the Dutch.

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If itt doe Appear that the West India Company of Amster-
18 dam doe Really Owe Any Sums of Money to Any persons here itt is Agreed that Recognition & Other duties payable by Ships going for the Netherlands be Continued for Six Months longer

The Officers Military and Soldiers Shall March out with their
19 Arms Drums beating and Colours flying & Lighted Matches and if Any of them will plant they Shall have fivety Acres of Land Sett out for them. if Any of them [321] Will Serve Any as Servants they Shall Continue with all Safety And become free denizens Afterwards.

If Att Any time hereafter the King of Great Brittain and the
20 States of the Netherlands doe Agree that this place and Country be Redelivered into the hands of the said States Whensoever his Majesty will Send his Commands to Redeliver itt itt Shall be Immediately done.

That the Town of Manhattans Shall Choose deputies and
21 those d[e]puties Shall have free Voices in all publique Affairs as much as Any Other Deputies.

Those who have Any propriety in Any houses in the forte
22 of Aurania Shall (if they please) Slight the Fortifications there And then Enjoy all their houses as all people doe where there is no Forte

If there be Any Soldiers that will goe into Holland and if the
23. Company of West India in Amsterdam or Any private persons here will Transporte them into Holland then they Shall have A Safe pass porte from Coll Richard Nicolls Deputy Governour under his Royall Highness and the Other Commissioners to defend the Ships that Shall Transport Such Soldiers and all the goods in them from Any surprizall, or Acts of Hostility to be done by Any of his Majesties Ships or subjects

That the Copies of the Kings Grant to his Royall Highness & the Copy of his Royall Highness his Commission to Coll Richard Nicolls testified by two Commissioners more and M^{r} Winthrop to be true Copies Shall be delivered to the Hon^{ble} M^{r} Stuyvesant the Present Gouvernour On Munday Next by Eight A Clock in the Morning att the old Milne And these Articles Consented to [322] And Signed by Coll Richard Nicolls Deputy Governour to his Royall Highness and that within two hours after the forte and Town Called New Amsterdam Upon the ISle of Manhattans Shall be delivered into the hands of the

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Said Coll Richard Nicolls by the Service of such as Shall be by him thereunto deputed by his hand and Seale.

John Dedeckar	Robert Carr
Nich: Verlett	Geo: Cartwright
Sam[ll] Megapolensis	John Winthrop
Cornelius Stee[n]wick	Sam[ll] Willys
Oloffe Stevens Van Cortlandt	Thomas Clarke
James Cousseau	John Pinchon

I doe Consent to these Articles
RICHARD NICOLLS

Secry[s] Office Province of New Yorke ss
This is A true Copy taken from the Records Lib N° 18 pag 23: 24: 25 & 26 att the Request of the Mayor and Aldermen of New Yorke this 7[th] of July 1698

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S[r] EDMOND ANDROS PROCLAMATION
By the Gouvernour

WHEREAS itt hath pleased his Majesty & his Royall Highness to Send me with Authority to Receive this place & Gover[n]ment from the dutch And to Continue in the Command thereof Under his Royall Highness who hath not only taken Care for our future Safety and defence but also Given me his Commands for Securing the Rights and Properties [323] of the Inhabitants And that I Should Endeavour by all fitting Means the good and Welfare of this Province & Dependencies under the Government. that I may not be wanting in Any thing y[t] May Conduce thereunto and for the Saving of the trouble and Charge of Any Comming hither for the Satisfying themselves in Such doubts as might Arise Concerning their Rights & Properties Upon this Change of Governm[t] and Wholly to Setle the Minds of all in Gen[ll] I have thought fitt to publish And declare that all former Grants Priviledges or Concessions heretofore Granted and all Estates Legally possessed by Any under his Royall Highness before the late dutch Governm[t] as also all legall Judicial proceedings during that Governm[t] to my Arrival in these parts are hereby Confirmed and the Possessors by Vertue thereof to Remaine in Quiett possession of their Rights. Itt is hereby further declared that the known Booke of Laws formerly Established And in force under his Royall highness Governm[t] is now again Confirmed by his Royall Highness the which are to be Observed And Practised together with the Manner and time of holding Courts therein Mentioned as heretofore. And all Magistrates And Civil Officers be-

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longing thereunto to be Chosen And Establisht Accordingly Given Under my hand in New Yorke this Ninth day of November in the twenty Sixth Year of his Majesties Reign Annoq Dom 1674

E: ANDROS

Secrys Office Province of New Yorke

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[324] GOVERNOUR NICOLLS COMMISSION TO the Mayor and Aldermen.

WHEREAS Upon Mature deliberation and Advice I have found itt Nessessary to discharge the forme of Government lately practised within this his Majesties Town of New Yorke under the Name and Style of Schout Burgomasters and Schepens which are not Known or Customary in Any of his Majesties Dominions to the End that the Course of Justice for the future may be Legally Equally & Impartially Administred to all his Majesties Subjects as well Inhabitants as Strangers KNOW ALL men by these presents that I Richard Nicolls Deputy Governour to his Royall Highness the Duke of Yorke by Vertue of his Majesties letters pattents bearing Date the twelfth of March in the Sixteenth Year of his Majesties Reign doe Ordaine Constitute and declare that the Inhabitants of New Yorke New Harlem with all Other his Majesties Subjects Inhabitants Upon this Island Commonly Called and Known by the Name of the Manhattans Island are and shall be for Ever Accounted Nominated and Established as one body Politique And Corporate Under the Governmt of A Mayor Aldermen & Sheriff. And I doe by these presents Constitute and Appoint for One whole Year Commencing from the date hereof And Ending the twelfth day of June which Shall be in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Six hundred Sixty Six Mr Thomas Willett to be Mayor Mr Thomas Delavall Mr Oloffe Stuyvesant Mr John Brugges Mr Cornelius Van Rugeen & Mr John Lawrence to be Aldermen And Mr Allard Anthony to be Sheriff Giving and Granting to them the Said Mayor [325] And Aldermen or any four of them Whereof the Said Mayor or his Deputy Shall be Allways one and Upon Equal division of Voices to have allways the Casting & decisive Voice full power and Authority to Rule and Govern as well all the Inhabitants of this Corporation as Any Strangers According to the Generall Laws of this Governmt and Such peculiar Laws as are or Shall be thought Convenient & Nessessary for the good and Welfare of this his Majesties Corporation as

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also to Appoint Such Under Officers as they Shall Judge Nessessary for the Orderly Execution of Justice. And I doe hereby Strictly Charge and Command all Persons to Obey And Execute from time to time all Such Warrants Orders And Constitutions as Shall be made by the Said Mayor and Aldermen as they will Answer y^e^ Contrary att their uttmost perills and for the due Administration of Justice According to the forme and Manner prescribed in this Commission by the Mayor Aldermen and Sheriff these presents Shall be to them & Every of them A Sufficient Warrant and Discharge in that Behalfe. Given Under my hand and Seale att Forte James in New Yorke this 12^th^ day of June 1665. RICH^d^ NICOLLS

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HERE FOLLOWETH A LIST OF PAPERS RELATING TO Y^E^ PRIVILEDGE OF BOLTING

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Thersday the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1698

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Paul Richard
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis } ESqrs Aldermen
John Hutchins
David Provoost
ISaac D: Riemer
John Eutwatse } Assistants.
John Windower
Gerrett Duyckinck
Evert Beyvanke
Martin Clock

[327] By Vertue of the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this Citty According to the usage Custom Laws and Ordinances of the Said Citty for the Electing this day One Alderman One Assistant two Assessors one Collector and One petty Constable in each Respective Ward within the Said Citty and Also Overseers of the High ways for ye Divisions of ye Bowry and Harlem of ye Outward to Serve in their Respective Offices for ye Year Ensueing and Accordingly the Same day Return was made thereof att twelve A Clock att Noon to the Office of Town Clerke Under the hands and Seals of ye Respective Aldermen According to ye Tenure fo the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Viz:)

South Ward	Capt Thomas Wenham	Alderman
	Mr Robert Lurting	Assistant
	Thomas Noel	Assessors
	John Morris	
	John Johnson	Collector
	John Ellison	Constable
West Ward	John Hutchins ESqr	Alderman
	William Bickley	Assistant
	John Barbarie	Assessors
	Bartholemew Laroux	
	Conraed Vanderbeeck	Collector
	Jacobus Goelett	Constable

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Dock Ward	Capt Jacobus V: Cortlandt	Alderman
	Samuell Bayard	Assistant
	Richard Willett, Thomas Burroughs	Assessors
	Johannes Hoghlandt	Collector
	Barent Bun	Constable
[328] East Ward	Leonard Lewis ESqr	Alderman
	John Euwatse	Assistant
	Robert Sincklair, Thomas Lewis	Assessors
	John Mortier	Collector
	Adrian Hoghlandt	Constable
North Ward	Jacob Boelen ESqr	Alderman
	Evert Beyvanke	Assistant
	Jesse Kip, Gerrett Onclebagh	Assessors
	Abraham Kip	Collector
	Abraham Ketletas	Constable
Out Ward	Martin Clock	Alderman
	Abraham Mesier	Assistant
	Abraham Boeke	Assessor
	Jan Eckerse	Collector
	Jan Hendricks Van Brevoort	Constable
	Jacob Van Cowenhoven	Surveyor
	Barent Waldron	Assessor
	Jan Cornelisse	Collector
	Cornelius Dyckman	Constable.

Capt Ebenezer Willson protests Agt ye Return of Alderman Lewis of the East Ward & Says yr Return is false and not Legall because there were more Votes of ye Inhabitants of the East Ward for him to be Alderman then were for Alderman Lewis & prays Examination be made. Ebenezer Willson

William Anderson likewise protests Agt yr Said Return & prays he may be Legally heard. Will. Anderson

The Petition of Peter Willemse Roome Johannes Van Gelder & Jan Willemse was read Complaining of an undue Return of the Election made by John Hutchins ESqr Alderman of the West Ward, of the Said Citty

[329] The Recorder is of Opinion that the Construction of these words of the Charter (Vizt) and that the Aldermen Assistants And petty

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Constables be Chosen by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants of each Ward) is that the Freeholders are Only to be Confined to the local Inhabitants of y^e^ Ward & not the freeholders that are not Actually local Inhabitants of the Ward.

David Provoost ESq^r^ Alderman of the Dock Ward of this Citty is Elected by Majority of Voices of this Board Chamberlain & Treasurer of this Citty for y^e^ year Ensueing The Mayor hath been pleased to Appoint James Spencer of this Citty Victualler to be High Constable of y^e^ Said Citty for y^e^ Year Ensueing.

ORDERED that Alderman Provoost & M^r^ Duyckinck be A Committee to Joyne with the Coroner to take Effectuall Care the Gaols of this Citty be made Strong and Convenient & be put in good Repair.

His Excellency the Earle of Bellomont was pleased to Signifie to this board that by and with y^e^ Consent of his Majesties Council he has Appointed Johannes D: Peyster ESq^r^ Mayor & ISaac D: Riemer ESq^r^ High Sheriff of the Citty & County of New Yorke to Serve in their Respective Offices of Mayor and Sheriff of this Citty for the year Ensueing According to the Directions of the Charter of this Citty.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of y^e^ Said Citty On Tuesday y^e^ fourth day of October Anno Dom 1698.

Present
William Merrett ESq^r^ Mayor
James Graham ESq^r^ Recorder
Paul Richard — Alderman

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Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost
— ESq^rs^ Aldermen

John Euwatse
ISaac D: Riemer
Gerrett Duyckinck
Evert Beyvanke
— Assistants

ORDERED that A Well be built att y^e^ upper End of the New Street by the Inhabitants thereof According to their desire & that y^e^ Alderman and Assistant of y^e^ Ward doe take Care the Same be placed in Such manner that itt may Not Stop up the Street or be A Nusance to any of the Inhabitants thereunto Adjacent.

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Ordered that Capt William Morris Mr Lawrence Reade Mr Jockham Staats & Capt Robert Sincklair Inhabitants of the East Ward of this Citty doe Examine ye Pole of Electors for Aldermen Assistants Assessors Collector and Constable of the East Ward And Return ye Names of the Inhabitants in the Said Ward that Were Electors for Each Candidate Pursuant to the Warrant from the Mayor to the Alderman of the Said Ward Directed

Ordered That Olphert Suert Evert Vanhooke Peter King and direck Vanderburgh Inhabitants of ye West Ward of this Citty doe Examine the Pole of Electors for Alderman Assistant Assessors Collector & Constable of the West Ward & Return the Names of the Inhabitants in the Said Ward that Were Electors for each Candidate Pursuant to ye Warrant from the Mayor to the Alderman of the Said Ward Directed and that they make Return hereof to this board by Munday Morning Next.

[331] Citty of New Yorke } SS. Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty On Munday ye 10th day of October Anno Dom 1698.

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Paul Richard
} ESqrs Aldermen

ISaac D: Riemer
Gerrett Duyckinck
Evert Beyvanke
John Euwatse
} Assistants

Ordered that James Graham ESqr Recorder of this Citty have Liberty to make A Vault in the Church Yard of this Citty upon the Ground Where his late Tomb Stood or Now Standeth.

Mr Morris Capt Reade & Capt Sincklair three of ye Freeholders & Inhabitants of the East Ward Appointed to Scrutiny the Pole of the Said Ward Appeared before this board & Reported that by the Plurality of Voices att the Closing of the Pole Alderman Lewis was Elected Alderman by the Majority of One but if Richard Lawrence & John

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Benfield be Admitted to Vote after the Pole was Shutt then Capt Willson was Elected Alderman by One Vote. The Board having taken ye Matter into their Consideration are of Opinion that the Return made by Alderman Lewis & herein before Entred is A Just and true Return of the Officers to serve in the East Ward of this Citty for the Year Ensueing.

ORDERED the Mayor Sign A Warrant to the Treasurer for ye Payment of twenty two pounds two Shilings Currant Money [332] of New Yorke to William Sharpas Town Clerke of this Citty itt being for One Years Sallary Pen Ink & Paper & printing Certificates of Naturalization which is Allowed & Ordered the Treasurer pay ye Same.

ORDERED A Warrant be directed to the Treasurer to pay to Jarvis Marshall three pounds fifteen Shilings & Seaven pence in full of his Sallary to the 10th Instant. as Marshall of this Citty.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Thomas Clarke ESqr Coroner of this Citty the Sum of four pounds Six Shilings and seaven pence halfe penny being Money by him Disbursted for ye Mending the Goale of this Citty

ORDERED that Bartholemew Leroux & Peter White doe examine the Pole of ye Election of the West Ward in the Room of Peter King & Direck Vanderburgh.

ORDERED Alderman Lewis Alderman Provoost Mr D: Riemer & Mr Beyvanke be A Committee to Audite the Mayors Account & Make Return thereof to morrow Morning.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty On Tuesday the 11th day of October Anno 1698.

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Paul Richard
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost

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Assistants:
Gerrett Duyckinck
John Euwatse
ISaac D: Riemer
Evert Beyvanke

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The Persons Appointed for to Scrutiny the Pole of the Election of the West Ward have Reported that they finde by Examination the Choice of the Officers of y^e^ West Ward to serve in their Respective Stations for y^e^ Year Ensueing are as followeth Viz^t^

Robert Walters	Alderman
Peter Willemse Roome	Assistant
John Willemse, Paulus Turke Jun^r^	Assessors
Conradus Vanderbeeck	Collector
Jacobus Vandespiegel	Constable

Which Reporte is Approved by this board.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty On Thursday the 13^th^ day of October Anno Dom 1698

Present William Merrett ESq^r^ Mayor
James Graham ESq^r^ Recorder
Paul Richard
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost
ISaac D: Riemer
Gerrett Duyckinck
John Euwatse
Evert Beyvanke
John Windower
} Assistant.

[334] Ordered the Mayor Issue his Warrant to y^e^ Treasurer to pay to Joseph Davis the Sum of three pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for One Quarters Rent for the Present Citty Hall due & Ending the first of August last.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on fryday the 14th day of October Anno Dom 1698.

Present William Merrett ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

Paul Richard
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
John Hutchins
David Provoost
} ESqrs Aldermen

John Euwatse
Gerrett Duyckinck
ISaac D: Riemer
Evert Beyvanke
Martin Clock
} Assistants

This day the Mayor Attended by Capt Johannes D: Peyster the Mayor Elect & the Recorder Aldermen High Sheriff Assistants Assessors Constables & Also all the officers Elect & Other officers According to the former usage Practice & Custom of this Citty waited upon his Excellency the Earle of Bellomont in Council Where the Mayor & High Sheriff Elect had the Oaths Administred unto them Appointed Instead of the Oaths of Alleigiance & Supremacy & Subscribed the Test and Association and also were Sworne [335] to the due Execution of their Respective Offices & Received their Commissions Accordingly. from thence the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid Went to Trinity Church Where the Rector thereof Mr William Vezey preached A Sermon Suitable to the Occasion, which Ended, they Returned to the Citty Hall where after the Ringing of the Bell the Mayors & Sheriffs Commissions were published upon Which the New Mayor Resumed the Chaire & Caused the Oaths Appointed as Aforesaid to be Administred to the Respective Aldermen and Assistants who Subscribed the Test and Association and Were Sworne to the due Execution of their Respective Offices & Accordingly tooke their places.

Mr David Provoost was Also Sworne Chamberlain and Treasurer of this Citty for ye Year Ensueing.

William Bickley was also Sworne High Constable of this Citty for ye Year Ensueing & the Constables Elected for the Respective Wards of this Citty were also Sworne except the Constable Elected for Harlem who was Absent.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty On Munday ye 17th day of October Anno Dom 1698.

Present Johannes D Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

Jacobus Van Cortlandt
Thomas Wenham
Leonard Lewis
Robt Walters
Evert Beyvanke
} ESqrs Aldermen

John Euwatse
Samuell Bayard
Robt Lurting
Peter Willemse
} Assistants

[336] Ordered that the Mayor doe forthwith take Care to hire four good And honest Inhabitants householders of this Citty to Watch in the Night time from ye hour of Nine of ye Clock att Night till break of day Each Morning Untill ye 25th day of March Next Ensueing And to goe round the Citty Each hour in the Night with A Bell and there to proclaime the season of the weather and the hour of the Night and if they Meet in their Rounds Any people disturbing the peace or lurking about Any persons house or Committing any theft they take the most prudent way they Can to Secure ye sd Persons Untill the Next Morning that they may be Examined by the Mayor or some of ye Magistrates in Order to be dealt with as the Law Directs And that the High Constable and all Other Constables within this Citty be Aiding and Assisting unto them in the execution of this Duty for which Service they are to be Allowed the Sum of Sixty pounds to be paid by the Treasurer of the Said Citty by Monthly payments Out of the Publick Revenue of the Said Citty they providing their Own fire and Candle light.

Ordered that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Lewis Mr Euwatse and Mr Bayard or any three of them be A Committee to Audite the Publick Accounts and the Bookes of the late Treasurer of this Citty And that they make Reporte thereof by the first day of November Next Ensueing And what Bookes Money & papers the late Treasurer has in his hands Relating or belonging to the Citty that he Deliver the Same into the hands of Mr David Provoost Now Treasurer of this Citty with An Inventory thereof and that his Receipt be A sufficient discharge unto him for ye same.

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Ordered That Mr Mayor Alderman Walters Alderman Wenham Mr Lurting and Mr Willemse be A Committee to Examine into the State of the ferry And to Agree on the best Conditions for the farming the Same on the twenty fifth day of March Next And that they take to their Assistance A Bricklayer and A Carpenter and Examine What will be Convenient for the Rebuilding or Repairing of the ferry house as to them Shall seem most meet and Make Reporte of their proceedings therein to this board by ye first day of November Next. [337] Ordered that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vezey the Sum of five pounds Curr: Money of New Yorke itt being A Gratification for A sermon Preached before the Mayor Aldermen and Assistants On the fourteenth Instant being the Anniversary day of swearing the Mayor and Magistrates of the same.

Ordered that Alderman Wenham Alderman Walters Mr Lurting And Mr Willemse or Any three of them by A Committee to Examine all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty and make Reporte to this Courte by the first of November Next of Such of them as will be Needfull to be Continued and also of those to be Repealed.

Ordered that the Treasurer of this Citty doe forthwith take Care that the Publick house of Office of this Citty on the Dock Wharfe be Rebuilt in Such manner as that itt may be Kept Neat and Clean.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of ye said Citty On Wensday ye 2d Novembr Anno Dom 1698

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Thomas Wenham
Robt Walters

Assistants:
John Euwatse
Robt Lurting
Peter Willemse

The Committee Appointed for Examining the Laws &c: make Reporte in these words following Viz:

New York October ye 31th 1698 Pursuant to the Order of [338]

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Common Council Unto us directed and hereunto Annexed Wee have Examined the Several Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty And are of Opinion that the Severall printed Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty for ye Well Regulating ye Inhabitants thereof are good and Wholesome Laws & Ought to be Continued in force with the Amendments and Additions hereafter Mentioned which is humbly Submitted. Amendmts (Vizt)

That there be thirty Carmen and as many more as the Mayor And two of the Aldermen Shall think Convenient.

That the Carts be Regulated for ye Carting of Lime.

That the Carmen have A Greater price for Carting pipes of wine and hogsheads of Rum.

That A Strict Law be made to Oblige the Bakers to Supply the Inhabitants with bread and to Restraine them from Issueing bread that is Not According to ye Assize.

That A Regulation for ye Porters be made and their fees Ascertained.

Tho Wenham
Robt Walters
Robt Lurting

Which Reporte is Approved by this Courte.

The Mayor Reports that he has Agreed with Peter Bogaert Claus Boegart Leonard Degraw and Direck Slyck to be Bellmen of this Citty. Untill the 25th day of March Next Ensueing for the Sum of Sixty pounds Currant Money of this Citty According to the Order of Common Council to him Directed in that behalfe.

The Committee Appointed to Inquire into the State of the Ferry Reporte that they have Viewed the ferry house & Called *And Called* Bricklayers and Carpenters to their Assistance and doe finde that the ferry house is Soe far gone to decay that itt is not worth Repairing And further Reporte that Some persons have been making proposals to them for farming the Same.

[339] Ordered that the Said Committee treat with those persons On ye Most Advantagious Terms for the Citty and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Speed in Order that Conditions be made for the timely farming the Same.

The Question being putt Whether or no the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen of this Citty are Sufficiently Authorized by ye Charter to hold Courts of Quarter Sessions for this Citty without Any Commission of the peace itt is Carried in the Affirmative

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of ye Said Citty On Wensday ye 9th day of November Anno Dom 1698.

Present Johannes D. Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Jacobus Van Cortlandt
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Robt Walters

Assistants:
Evert Beyvanke
Robt Lurting
Peter Willemse

Ordered that No Butcher or Other person doe Sloughter any Neat Cattle within this Citty but att the publick Sloughter houses by the water side Under ye penalty of ten shilings for Each Offence One halfe to the Informer and the Other halfe to the Citty to be Recovered by Plaint or Information before the Mayor or Recorder or one of the Aldermen of this Citty And that No Cattle be landed but att the Nearest Convenient place to the sloughter houses Under ye Penalty of three Shilings for each Offence for the use Aforesaid And to be Recovered in such Manner as Aforesaid

Ordered that ye Carmen have for Carting each pipe of wine hogshead of Rum or hogshead of Molasses Nine pence.

[340] Ordered that all the Printed Laws of this Citty with the Amendments Reported by the Committee be Continued in force till further Order And Also ye three foregoing Orders And that the same be placaded Upon ye Citty Hall.

For the better Observation of the Lords day itt is Ordered that the Mayor Issue Out his Warrant to the High Constable that he Cause the Constables of each Respective Ward within this Citty by Equal Turns to take Effectual Care each Sabbath day that the several Laws Orders & Ordinances of this Citty for ye due Observation of ye Lords day be put in Execution.

The Mayor Informed this Board that he has Appointed Enoch Hill to be his Marshall, and Messenger to the Common Council And hitherto has found him very diligent in his duty and desires that for his Encouragemt he be Allowed A Coate Breeches Hatt Shoes Stockings and A Cloake of ye Citty Livery And A Beedles Staff att ye Citty Charge.

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ORDERED that the Mayor purchase the same att the Citty Charge And that the Livery be blew with An Orange List

ORDERED that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Lewis and Alderman Wenham Mr Lurting Mr Willemse and Mr Beyvanke or Any four of them be A Committee to View ye Condition of the present Citty Hall And where itt will be most Convenient for ye building of a New One And what Materialls will be Nessessary for ye Same together with an Estimate of ye Cost thereof And make Reporte with all Convenient Speed.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Wensday ye 11th day of January Anno Dom 1698 [-9]

Present Johannes D Peyster ESqr Mayor

[341] James Graham ESqr Recorder

Jacobus Van Cortlandt
Leonard Lewis
Thomas Wenham
Jacob Boelen
Robt Walters
} ESqrs Aldermen

John Euwatse
Evert Beyvanke
Samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse
} Assistants

Upon the Reporte of Mr Dauid Provoost Treasurer of this Citty that pursuant to an Order of Common Council of this Citty made the seaventeenth day of October last past he went to the house of Capt Ebenezer Willson late Treasurer of this Citty and According to the Said Order Demanded the Monies Books and papers belonging to this Citty which he had in his Custody with an Inventory thereof that the said Willson did Offer ye Bookes And Papers to the said Provoost and told him he would pay the monies in Six weeks time but would not Give an Inventory of the Bookes and papers to the Said Provoost According to the the Said Order of Common Council Whereupon itt is Ordered that Alderman Wenham and Mr Bayard with the Treasurer forthwith goe to the said Ebenezer Willson & Demand of him the Said Monies Bookes and papers belonging to this Citty and make Reporte of their proceedings therein to this Courte. Alderman Wenham &c: Reporte that they have been with the Said Ebenezer Willson and have brought the Bookes and papers of this Citty and that the said Ebenezer

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Willson is ready to deliver the Monies also in his hands Upon their allowance of An Acct Delivered with the Said Bookes Amounting to twenty Six pounds Six shilings.

Memorand: itt Appears by the Citty Bookes audited ye 29th Octobr 1698 that the said Ebenezer Willson has in his hands of the Monies of this Citty the sum of One hundred twenty Nine pounds Nine shilings and Nine pence.

[342] Ordered a placade be forthwith Printed & published to Give Notice that the Ferry between this Citty and Nassaw Island on the Second day of February Next Ensueing att the Citty Hall of ye Citty of New Yorke will be Lett to farme for ye Terme of Seaven Years to Commence from the 25th of March Next Ensueing And that the Conditions for farming the same may be seen att the Mayors house of this Citty And Ordered the money thereof be Appropriated to No Other use then to the building of A New Citty Hall.

Upon examination of the Citty bookes Kept by ye late Treasurer Capt Ebenezer Willson itt Appeareth by the Ballance thereof duely Audited that the said Ebenezer Willson has in his hands of the Monies of the Citty the Sum of One hundred and twenty Nine pounds Nine shilings and Nine pence Currant Money of New Yorke Ordered that Mr David Provoost the present Treasurer of this Citty Receive the said Sum of 129-09-09 of the said Ebenezer Willson And that the Said David Provoost doe Also Demand of the said Ebenezer Willson all EScripts miniments writing Books and papers Relating or belonging to this Citty Now Remaining in his Custody or Possession

The Committee Appointed to Audite ye Publick Accounts of this Citty have Reported that they have Audited the publick Accounts of this Citty And are of Opinion that the following Accompts are Just and True Accts and the Respective sums due to the Respective persons Under Named And that Warrants Ought to be Executed for ye payment of the same Accordingly

Ordered that the Mayor Issue his Warrants to ye Treasurer for the payment of the same (Vizt)

	li	s	d
To Jacobus Berry for worke done to the Citty Hall as ℔ Account	00	18	00
To Direck Vanderburgh for worke done to the Citty Hall Goale and fortifications	06	19	06
[343] To Direck Vanderburgh Ditto for mending Goale	00	13	04½
To David Jameson for A Commission of ye peace Copy of Capt Kips Petition &c:	03	13	08

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	li	s	d
To Jacobus Van Cortlandt ESq^{r} to Ballance of A former Acc^{t} to Money due to him as an Assembly man and to fire woods Boards Nails &c:	41	07	09
To Leonard Lewis and Samuell Bayard for making And paving the Street Burgers path	15	05	03
To John Arson for taxes paid of the ferry house and disburstments on y^{e} house	13	06	05¼
To Coll Abraham D: Peyster for two Barrells of [ ] for two Barrells Ditto of Cap^{t} Evans & Some Junck	32	07	10½
To John Ellison for worke and Planke & Nails &c for the Citty Hall	02	15	01
To William Bradford for 2 Bookes of Records printing Regulations of the Markett and Laws of y^{e} Province	04	10	00
To Jacobus Van Cortlandt for building & Materialls of the Custom house bridge	135	10	05¼
To Doctor Johannes Kerfbyh for Looking after y^{e} poor for One Year from 1687 to 1688	05	00	00
To Brandt Schuyler and ISaac D: Riemer for Disburstments in making y^{e} Slip in the broad Street	56	05	03
	318	12	07½

Ordered that Alderman Lewis Alderman Walters M^{r} Bayard M^{r} Euwatse and the Treasurer (be A Committee) or Any three of them to Audite the publick Accounts of this Citty.

The Committee Appointed to View the Citty Hall &c: Reporte that they have Viewed the present Citty Hall And finde itt insufficient and doe think the Upper end of the broad Street A propper place for y^{e} Building A new Citty Hall And believe that the Sum of three [344] Thousand pounds may be Sufficient for the building the Same According to the former draft drawn by M^{r} James Evetts which Reporte is Approved.

The Mayor produced A letter from his Excellency Richard Earle of Bellomont in the following words (Viz^{t}) Gen^{t} his Majesties Council and my selfe have thought itt proper for his Majesties Service to Give his people within this Province y^{e} Opportunity of Swearing Alleigance to his Majesty which is the least Tribute of

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duty and tha[n]ks wee Can pay to Our Gracious King that has Secured to us our Religion Liberties and Estates I therefore desire You to be carefull & expeditious in taking the Oaths & Signing the Test and Association Your Selves and also in Administring the Oaths to the Inhabitants within Your Town & district Pursuant to the Directions Contained in ye Proclamation sent You Along with this letter And that You gett ye Test and Association (which is also Sent You herewith) Signed by all those that take the Oaths And be sure to make A Return of the Names and places of Abode of all Such persons as Shall Refuse to take ye Oaths and sign ye Test and Association as Aforesaid to the End there may be A discrimination made between his Majesties Good and Lowall Subjects and those that by ill principles Are prevailed Upon to be Enemies to his Majesties person and Government. I am Your Affectionate friend & Servant Bellomont.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of ye Said Citty O ⁊ Munday ye 23d day of January Anno Dom 1698[-9].

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Martin Clock
Thomas Wenham

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Assistants:
John Euwatse
Peter Willemse
Abraham Jansen Mesier
Evert Beyvanke
Robert Lurting

Ordered that the Recorder Alderman Lewis Alderman Wenham Mr Lurting and Mr Euwatse be A Committee to Examine into the Ancient Rights and Priviledges of this Citty and what Additions will be Needfull to be added thereto for Ys Well Rule And Government of the Inhabitants of the Same and make Reporte thereof to this Board with all Convenient Expedition

Ordered that Alderman Lewis Alderman Wenham Mr Euwatse Ms Lurting & the Treasurer or any four of them be A Committee to Audite the Bookes and Accounts of the late Treasurer and all Other

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matters and things Relating to this Citty Dureing y^e^ time he was Treasurer of the Same and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Speed.

ORDERED that the Order for Providing Bucketts in y^e^ Printed Laws be put in Execution and that the Inhabitants of this Citty Provide y^e^ Same Pursuant to y^e^ Said Order on or before y^e^ 25^th^ day of March Next Ensueing Under y^e^ Penalty Mentioned in y^e^ Said Law And that the Constable of Each Respective Ward doe Giue Notice thereof to the Inhabitants of *of* their Respective Wards Accordingly.

Memorand the house to be built att y^e^ Ferry to be of Stone and Brick to be two Stories High And A Cellar, to be fourty foot lond And twenty four foot broad And to be built in the first Year of the Lease.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Meeting of y^e^ Mayor Aldermen and Assistants of y^e^ Said Citty att y^e^ Citty Hall on Thursday y^e^ Second day of February Anno Dom 1698[-9]

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESq^r^ Mayor

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Jacobus Van Cortlandt
Leonard Lewis
Thomas Wenham
} ESq^rs^ Aldermen

John Euwatse
Robert Lurting
Peter Willemse
Abraham Mesier
Evert Beyvanke
} Assistants

RESOLVED the ferry between this Citty and Nassaw Island be this day lett to farme for y^e^ Terme of Seaven years to Commence from the 25^th^ day of March Next Ensueing Upon the Conditions following (Viz^t^)

Imp That the farmer Shall be Obliged to pay what he shall farme the above Revenue att to the Treasurer of this Citty by Even Quarterly payments Curr^t^ Money of this Province

2^d^ That the Farmer Shall be Obliged before the Ensealing of the Lease for the Same to Give Such Sufficient Security as the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Said Citty Shall Judge Needfull for the true performance of each Respective Covenant Contained in the Said Lease.

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3d That the Farmer Shall provide And Maintain two great Boats or Scows for the Carrying and Transporting of Cattle Corne &c: And two Small Boats Sufficient for ye Carrying of passengers And that the Great Boats Shall be kept One on each Side of the River, And the Small Boats the like Constantly going to And fro but Not both to Remaine On the Same Side of the River att Any time and also to keep good and able men to Row in the Said Boats who shall Give their Constant Attendance and be Ready att all times According to forme & Custom.

4th That the said Farmer Shall keep and Maintaine one sufficient pound for ys Security of Cattle to be Transported to and from the Citty of New Yorke and delivered att the ferry to take Charge [347] thereof And to finde all Ropes and Other Nessessaries for the Keeping them there and for their Transportation Likewise all Corne brought into the ferry Boate to be landed within the Dock ys Slips or Burgers path.

5th That the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke within the first Year of the Said Lease Shall Cause to be Erected & Built att the ferry on Nassaw Island A good sufficient house of Stone and brick of two Stories High fourty foot in length And twenty four foot in breadth for ye Accommodation and Conveniency of the person that farmeth ye said Ferry.

6th That the Said Farmer in the Said house shall keep a publick house of Entertainment in Order that Strangers and Travellers & their horses may haue good Accommodation att Reasonable Rates During the Terme of the Said Lease.

7th That the Sd Farmer During ye Said Lease Shall keep ye Sd house in good And Sufficient Repair and att the Expiration of the Said Lease the Said house Soe well and sufficiently kept Maintained Repaired and Amended Shall Surrender and Yield up to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke for the time being

8th That if the Said Farmer make default of Any of ys Quarterly payments to be made or in fourteen days after, that then itt Shall and may be Lawfull for the Said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality the Demised premises to Re-Enter and posession thereof to take And to farme lett by publick Outcry in as full and Ample manner as if the Same had not been afore Demised.

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9th That if the Said Farmer Shall Neglect to Give Such Security as Aforesaid that then the said Ferry Shall be Again demised & if lett for less then first Agreed On the Said first farmer is to make good and pay the Loss with all Charges and Expences and if the Same be farmed for more he to have no benefitt thereby

10th [348] That the Barne att yᵉ Ferry be forthwith put in good Repair att the Charge of the Citty and that itt be kept and Maintained in good Repair by the farmer thereof during yᵉ Said Lease And delivered up in like Good Repair att yᵉ Expiration of the same.

11 That the farmer Shall not Impose or take Any Other Rates or prices for ferriage then what are hereafter Mentioned (Viz!)

Every single person to pay for going Over Eight Stivers in Wampum or A Silver two pence.

Each person in Company four Stivers in Wampun or A Silver penny if after sun Sett double ferriage

Each horse or beast Single One Shiling in Company Nine pence

Each Colt or Calfe three pence

Each Hog eight Stivers in Wampun or A Silver two pence

Each Sheep four Stivers Wampun or A Silver penny.

Each Barrell of Rum Sugar Molasses Oyle Porke &c: three pence.

Each Empty Barrell four Stivers Wampun or A Silver penny

A Beasts hide the like.

A Firkin or Tub of Butter two Stivers Wampun.

Every three Bushell of Corne A Silver penny or four Stivers of Wampum.

A Pale of Butter two Stivers

Every Bushell of Salt two Stivers

Every hogshead of Tobacco Nine pence.

The above Rates to be paid by all passengers att their going into the ferry Boate and for all Cattle horses or Other goods or things when the ferry man Receivs the Same into his Boate in silver or Wampum.

And According to the Said Resolve Publick Notice was Given to all persons and Upon the before Mentioned Conditions the said ferry Was lett to farme for the Terme of Seaven Years to Commence from the 25th day of March Next Unto Mr Rip Van dam who was the fairest bidder att the Rate of One hundred & Sixty five pounds ℔ Annum.

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[349] Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty [Hall] of the Said Citty on Munday ye 27th day of February Anno Dom 1698[-9]

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Leonard Lewis
Jacob Boelen
Thomas Wenham } ESqrs Aldermen
John Euwatse
Samuell Bayard
Everett Beyvanke
Robt Lurting
Peter Willemse } Assistants.

Ordered that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Boelen Mr Beyvanke & Mr Willemse or Any three of them be A Committee to Examine What Materialls will be wanting for ye putting ye Barne att ye ferry in good and Sufficient Repair and that they Agree with workemen for the Repairing of ye Same Accordingly. And also that they make an Estimate of what will be ye Charge of ye Building the house att ye Ferry & make Reporte of their proceedings herein with all Convenient Expedition

The Reporte of the Committee Appointed for Enquiring into the Ancient Rights and Priviledges of this Citty &c: was read in these words following (Vizt)

New Yorke January ye 24th 1698[-9]

Pursuant to an Order of Common Council to us directed bearing Date ye 23d Instant Appointing us A Committee to Examine into the Ancient Rights and Priviledges of this Citty and likewise what Additions might be Needfull to be Added thereto for ye well Rule & Government of the Inhabitants of the Same &c: Wee have Viewed And Examined the Records of the Citty And doe finde that if the Citty Could Obtaine their Right of the sole Bolting of flower & Baking of Biskett for Transportation as formerly Enjoyed by them itt would be of great Advantage to this Citty as well as A Generall Benefitt to all the Inhabitants of the Province That itt would be Aso a great Advantage to this Citty if the Office of [350] Town Clerke Water Bayliff Clerke of ye Markett & the Appointment of Coroner now Invested in the Corporation of ye Said Citty and yt Pursuant thereunto the Jurisdiction of ye water Bayliff doe Extend Upon all the Rivers Roads Coves Harbours Inletts and waters Surrounding the said Citty

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Mannings Island litle and Great Barnes Islands and from ye Bounds of the Said Citty Upon Hudsons River Soe far as the Mouth of ye Same Entring att Sandy hooke which have been formerly held by the Said Citty & Corporation And that also ye Anchorage of all Shiping Riding in this Harbour formerly Received by the said Corporation together with the Jurisdiction of the Landing att ye Ferry upon Nassaw Island att long Island and that all the Land from ye Eastern End of Nutten Island for halfe A Mile deep to ye West point of ye Wallabout may be Incorporated Under ye Jurisdiction of ye Said Citty Saving to Every person there, their freehold. And all the Land from High water Marke to Low water Marke fronting ye Same. all which wee are humbly of Opinion if Can be Obtained by an humble Address to his Excellency & Council for Confirming the same to this Corporation & their successors together with ye Priviledges yt they Now Enjoy that the Corporation Ought to doe ye same wch is Humbly Submitted by

Ja Graham
Leonard Lewis
Thomas Wenham
John Euwatse
Robt Lurting

Ordered that Alderman Lewis Alderman Wenham Mr Euwatse and Mr Bayard & the Treasurer or Any four of them be A Committee to Audite ye Accts of ye late Mayor And make Reporte with all Convenient Expedition

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Fryday the 31th day of March Anno 1699

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt } ESqrs Aldermen
Jacob Boelen }
[351] Leonard Lewis } ESqrs Aldermen
Robert Walters }
Thomas Wenham }
Samuell Bayard } Assistants
Peter Willemse Roome }
Robt Lurting }

Ordered that Alderman Cortlandt and Mr Bayard doe Agree with A Scavenger for the Cleaning of the Streets and that the Cryer doe Give Notice to the Inhabitants Every Saturday Morning to Clean ye

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Streets and Sweep y^e^ Dirte on heaps before their Respective dwelling houses And that the Sheriff Constables and Other Officers have Notice to put the Laws made for keeping Clean y^e^ Streets in due Execution.

ORDERED that Alderman Wenham and M^r^ Willemse be A Committee to View and Examine the Condition of y^e^ Markett house by the bridge and what will be proper to be Added or Rebuilt there, & Upon what Terms *and upon what Terms* they Can have A good house on that Ground whereon itt Stands and for what time itt will be Convenient to demise the same and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

The Petition of Robert Cranell was read and the Courte doe Order that he be Admitted A Freeman of this Citty Gratis. he being A poor man & not Able to purchase y^e^ same.

The Petition of Cap^t^ Cornelius D: Peyster was read praying A Grant of A Small Slip of Ground On y^e^ East side of his Lott fronting the Dock

ORDERED the whole board to forthwith View the same which they Accordingly did, & ORDERED that the Surveyors lay out what is Desired by the Petitioner and make A Draft thereof.

ORDERED that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Boelen M^r^ Beyvanke And M^r^ Willemse or Any three of them be A Committee to Agree for Materialls & Also with Workemen att the best and most Easy Rate they Can for building the house att y^e^ ferry According to y^e^ Demensions lately Resolved On by this Courte and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

[352] Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of y^e^ Said Citty On Saturday y^e^ 22^d^ day of April 1699.

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESq^r^ Mayor

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Robert Walters
Thomas Wenham
Martin Clock
} ESq^rs^ Aldermen

John Euwatse
Samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse Roome
Evert Beyvanke
Abraham Mesier
} ESq^rs^ Aldermen [Assistants]

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The Committee Appointed the last Common Council to Agree for Materialls & with workemen att the best and most Easy Rate they Can for y^{e} building the house att y^{e} Ferry doe Reporte that they have Agreed with M^{r} Peter Willemse Roome for y^{e} building And finishing of y^{e} Said house According to such manner & forme as in the hereafter Reporte is att large Mentioned & Expressed and Accordingly have brought in A Draft thereof

AN ABSTRACT OF Y^{E} FERRY HOUSE

The length Shall be fourty foot the breadth four & twenty foot, the Cellar is to be made of Rockstone of One and twenty Inches thick Seaven foot from y^{e} foundation under the Beams the side Wall of the South East side two Stories to the Roofe to be made of Rockstone, Eighteen Inches thick the South West Gable the Undermost story of One A halfe Mapps and the Uppermost Stories to the top to be of One Mapp, the Northwest Side One And A halfe Mapp to the Roofe the North East Gable from the Cellar to the Top of One A halfe Map. the first Story above y^{e} Cellar Must be Eight And A halfe foot under the Beams the second Seaven and A halfe foot, under y^{e} Beams the Beams to be three [353] foot from the Center, One from Another and that in all Stories the Cellar Beams to be thick ten and thirteen Inches the second the same and the third Nine and twelve Inches all the Beams hewed and Shaved the Doors Windows Glass Windows According to Signing the Cellar to be made of White Oake boards thick five Quarters the three Other floors of White pine boards being thick One A halfe Inch in the Inside five Chimneys with Jams or as the same Shall be most proper Whereof four Chimneys Must be made pieces to itt and in Every Story A Middle Wall as Shall be Judged to be best proper. and in Every Story one pair of Stairs with Banisters and to be placed where the same Shall be most proper. and all the Rest of the Materialls belonging to the making of such as Aforesaid house According to the signing hereof to the turning of the key And all the Materialls of the Said Ferry house Shall be to the Behoofe of the undertaker Wherefore he is to pay four hundred thirty five pounds Curr^{t} Money of this Province of New Yorke. New Yorke this 3^{d} of May Anno 1699 J: V: Cortlandt

Jacob Boelen
Evert Beyvanke

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warr^{t} to the Treasurer for the payment of Eleaven pounds Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke to Joseph

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Davis itt being for three Quarters of A Years Rent for the Courte Room due the first of May Next Ensueing and for fire wood Expended for y^e^ use of the Citty as Appears by his Acc^t^ which is Allowed & Ordered y^e^ Treasurer pay y^e^ Same.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty On Thursday y^e^ 25^th^ day of May Anno Dom 1699

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESq^r^ Mayor
James Graham ESq^r^ Recorder

Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Robert Walters
Thomas Wenham
} ESq^rs^ Aldermen

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John Euwatse
Samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Mesier
} Assistants

The Committee Appointed to Audite the Acc^ts^ of Ebenezer Willson the late Treasurer doe Reporte that they have Examined his Acc^ts^ And doe finde that he has in his hands of the Monies belonging to y^e^ Citty the sum of One hundred And fourty pounds Eight Shilings And Six pence farthing And att the same time did Exhibit an Acc^t^ Delivered to them by the Said Ebenezer Willson Amounting to twenty Six pounds four Shilings for Severall disburstments made by him for the Service of the Citty as well as for his trouble & pains for his publick service of the Citty in Auditing the Constables And Collectors Acc^ts^ of the Taxes Levied in the Said Citty from the Arrivall of Coll Sloughter to the 14^th^ October 1698 which being Immediately taken into Consideration itt is ORDERED that there be Allowed the said Ebenezer Willson the sum of Eleaven pounds four shilings to be deducted out of the Monies in his hands belonging to the Citty And that he forthwith pay the Residue thereof to the Treasurer of this Citty which is the Sum of One hundred And twenty Nine pounds four Shilings and six pence farthing Curr^t^ Money of New Yorke & Upon his Payment thereof that the Mayor Execute A Generall Release for the same.

This Board taking into Consideration the Nessessity of the Building of A New Citty Hall doe Unanimously Resolve (Alderman

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Cortlandt only descenting) that A New Citty Hall be built with all Convenient Expedition And that the same be Erected And built att the upper End of the broad Street within the said Citty itt being Approved the most Convenient and proper place for the building the same and that the Mayor taking to his Assistance Such of the Aldermen Assistants and surveyors of the Said Citty as he Shall think Convenient doe lay out the Ground for the Building the same.

Resolved that for the better Carrying On of the building of the New Citty Hall that the Materialls of the Old Citty Hall be Exposed to sayle And that the Ground belonging to the same be Lett to farme [355] for the Terme of Ninety Nine Years And Ordered that Alderman Boelen Alderman Lewis Alderman Wenham Mr Lurting Mr Beyvanke & Mr Bayard or Any four of them be A Committee to Manage the farming the same Upon the most Advantagious Terms that may be for the profitt & Benefitt of the Citty & that ye Clerke doe put up publick placades thereof.

The Petition of William Beeckman was read praying A Confirmation of the Ground to low water Marke fronting his house and Ground att the lower End of Queen Street, by the Sloughter house Order'd that the surveyors of this Citty doe lay out his land According to his Patents & make Reporte what Surplusage of Ground their Remains between low water marke & his Ground And make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition

The Petition of Jacob Leisler was read for Ground fronting his house. Under Consideration

The Petition of John Rodman William Huddleston & John Hutchins was read praying the Grant of A Small Slip of Land lying on ye North River fronting their Respective purchases between them & Low water Marke &c: Ordered the surveyors of this Citty doe lay out And make A Draft of What Ground is desired by the Petitioners & make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

Ordered the Mayor Issue his Warrt to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas the sum of twelve pounds Sixteen Shilings & Nine pence Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe Years Sallary due the 14th April last for pen Ink and paper And Other Services in making Copies of the Roles of those that tooke the Oaths & as Appears by his Acct which is Allowed and Ordered the Treasurer pay the Same.

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[356] Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday ye Ninth day of August 1699

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Robt Walters
Martin Clock
} ESqrs Aldermen

John Euwatse
Samuell Bayard
Robt Lurting
Peter Willemse Roome
} Assistants

Ordered that if Any Children Youth or Other persons doe fire Any Gun or Pistoll att Any marke or Att Random Against any fence pales or within Any Orchard Garden or Other Inclosure or in Any place where persons frequent to walke On the South Side of the fresh water of this Citty Shall for Every Such offence forfeite the sum of twenty Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke to be Recovered by Plaint before the Mayor Recorder or Any One or more of the Aldermen of the said Citty One halfe thereof to the Informer & the Other halfe to the Citty.

The Committee Appointed for farming the Citty Hall Reporte that they Cannot finde Any Person will farme the same on the Conditions Limited to them but are of Opinion that if itt might be Sold for Ever itt would Produce A Considerable sum of Money which would be A Great Assistance towards the building the New Citty Hall Ordered by Majority of Votes that the same be sold for Ever by Publick Outcry & Ordered that the Mayor and any three of the Aldermen And Any three of the Common Council men or any five of them be A Committee to sell the same On such Conditions as they Shall thinke most Requisite & most Beneficial for the Citty

Ordered that the Mayor and three Aldermen & three Common Council men or Any five of them doe Call the surveyors of this Citty to their Assistance And Order them to lay out the Ground for the building A New Citty Hall att the Upper end of the broad Street [357] And Also to Imploy Workemen to lay the foundation of the same.

Ordered that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty be Continued in force for three Months longer.

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WHEREAS the Grand Jurors the last Gen^{ll} Quarter sessions of the peace did Present Severall Hawkers and Others for Carrying of goods Up and down the Streets of this Citty to be sold by which means much Stolen goods may be Vended to the prejudice hurte and Damage of the Inhabitants of this Citty. for the Prevention whereof itt is therefore ORDERED that No Goods or merchandize Shall be sold by Retaile or in parcell within this Citty but in shops Warehouses or in Publick Markett on Markett days. And that No Hawkers or Pedlers doe Carry Any Goods or Merchandize Up and down the Streets of this Citty to be sold On Penalty of twenty Shilings for each Offence to be Recovered before the Mayor Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the Said Citty One halfe thereof to the Informer And the Other halfe to the use of the poor of this Citty.

ORDERED that the Committee Appointed to sell the Old Citty Hall be A Committee forthwith to take Effectual Care for y^{e} Cleaning of the Dock And that they Draw upon the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof.

ORDERED that the Mayor take Care forthwith that the Covenants made by the Citty to the Inhabitants of Queen Street for y^{e} filling up of One parte of Kings Street be forthwith performed and that he Also Agree with persons for the doing the same And he Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the Same.

The Petition of Elsie Leisler Widdow was read praying A Grant of the Citty for Land fronting the Petitioners Ground before the trees near the Slip att Burgers path from the water Side to low water marke &c: Which Reasonable Request the Citty being Willing to Grant doe Order that the same be Granted Accordingly And ORDERED that Alderman Lewis Alderman Clock Alderman Boelen M^{r} Lurting & M^{r} Willemse be A Committee (Calling the surveyors to their Assistance[)] to lay out and make A Draft of what Ground is desired to be Granted to the Petitioner to Range with the Other wharfs and also [358] that they Reporte to this board What will be Needfull to be paid to the Citty in Consideration of the same.

ORDER'D the same Committee doe Order the Carte way to Run into the Slip from the Wharfs of the Dock Street be forthwith laid Out According to the Citty Covenant and that Alderman Clock Desist building till the same be performed.

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Enoch Hill Marshall of this Citty the sum of Seaven pounds ten Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke in full of Nine Months Sallary Commencing from y^{e} 14th day of October last.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Meeting of A Committee of the Common Council On ye 17th of Augt 1699 And which were Appointed the 9th day of August for to Sell ye Citty Hall of the Sd Citty.

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor

Leonard Lewis
Robt Walters } ESqrs Aldermen
Thomas Wenham

Peter Willemse
Samuell Bayard } Assistants
Robt Lurting

Pursuant to the Above Mentioned Order of Common Council the said Citty Hall with all and singular ye Appurtenances belonging there unto (the Bell Kings Arms & Iron works belonging to the prison Excepted) are this day to be Exposed to Sayle by Publick Outcry or Vendue to the highest bidder Upon ye Conditions following (Vizt)

That the Purchaser within the Space of Six days Next Ensue-
Imp ing the date hereof Shall Give sufficient Sureties to make good Payment for the same According to the Conditions following.

2d That the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke [359] Within the Space of Six days Next Ensueing the Date hereof Shall Give to the Purchaser and to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever A Grant for the same Duely and Sufficiently Executed with good Covenants & Warranty and Shall put him in Quiett and Peaceable posession & Seizin of the same.

That the Payments for ye Same be att three Equall Payments (to Say) the first Paymt on the first day of October Next the Second Payment on ye first day of May then Next Ensueing and the third and Last Payment on the first day of Augt then Next following.

That the Cage Pillory and Stocks Standing before ye Same be Removed within the Space of twelve Months Next Ensueing & yt the Slip fronting the said Citty Hall Shall Remaine Continue & Abide for Ever A Publick Slip for ye Publick use & Benefitt of the Citty.

That the Citty have the Liberty and Benefitt of the Goale within the said Citty Hall for ye Space of One Month Next Ensueing Any thing Above Mentioned to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

John Rodman of the Citty of New Yorke Mercht hath by Publick Outcry & Vendue Purchased the said Citty [Hall] with the Ground & all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging According to the Draft

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thereof for the sum of Nine hundred & twenty pounds Currant Money of New Yorke on ye Conditions before written he being the highest bidder.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Fryday ye 18th day of Augt Anno 1699

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Thomas Wenham
Robt Walters
} ESqrs Aldermen

[359]* John Euwatse
Peter Willemse
Samuell Bayard
Robt Lurting
} Assistants

Ordered that the following Petition be Engrossed & Signed And forthwith be presented to ye Lieut Governour & Council

To the Honble John Nanfan ESqr Lieut Gouvernour & Commander in Chiefe of the Province of New Yorke and to the Honble Council.

The Humble Petition of ye Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke Convened in Common Council.

Sheweth That the former line of fortifications that did Range Along the Wall Street from the East to the North River together with the Bastians that were thereon Erected are fallen to decay and the Incroachment of Buildings which have been made Adjacent thereunto will Render ye Same Useless for ye time to Come And the Citty purposing with all Speed to build A New Citty Hall att the End of one of the principle streets within the said Citty fronting to the Aforesaid Line of fortifications therefore humbly pray that Your Honours would be pleased to Intercede with his Excellency the Capt Genll that the same fortifications may be demolished According to the powers and Authorities Intrusted with him And that the Stones of ye Sd Bastians with the Consent of the Owners thereof may be Appropriated to the Building the said Citty Hall. And Your Petitioners as in duty bound Shall Ever pray &c:

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ORDERED that Alderman Wenham & Mr Lurting be A Committee to Draw up Articles of Agreement between the Citty & John Ellison for the building A house of Brick and stone in the Room & on the Ground the Old Markett house Stands on for which the Said Ellison is to pay twelve pounds ℔ Annum and to haue A Lease for ye Same for the Terme of twenty One Years.

The Petition of Mrs Mary Delanoy was Read setting forth that the Citty was Indebted to her husband in the sum of One hundred and [360] Seaventy pounds for Money by him Disbursted for the publick Benefitt And prays an Order for ye Payment of the same ORDER'D that the Committee Appointed to Audite the publick Accts of ye Citty doe Audite the Accts of Mr Peter Delanoy Deceased & make Reporte with all Convenient Expedition

ORDER'D that Alderman Lewis and Mr Bayard be A Committee to Agree with Mr Beeckman for the Land he has desired in his Petition to be Granted to him and that they Also Inspect that the Land he desires doe not Come before Any Other persons Purchase.

ORDERED that the Coll of the Militia Regiment of this Citty or Any Other persons Authorized by him doe hire some Convenient Room or Storehouse for ye securing the Carriages of the Great Gunns belonging to this Citty & that the great Gunns be forthwith dismounted in Order for the preserving the same.

ORDER'D the Mayor Sign A Warrt to the Treasurer to pay to Mr John Theobald the sum of three pounds Currt Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe A Barrell of powder for saluting the Earl of Bellomont on his Voyage to Boston.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday ye 6th day of September Anno Dom 1699.

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen.
- Jacobus V: Cortlandt
- Jacob Boelen
- Leonard Lewis
- Robt Walters
- Thomas Wenham
- Martin Clock

Assistants
- John Euwatse
- Evert Beyvanke
- Robt Lurting
- Peter Willemse

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[361] ORDERED that What Money Shall be disbursted by Mr John Enwatse for ye Nessessary Repair of ye Barne and bridge att ye Ferry be Allowed to him On Acct & that A Well be made and the Ground belonging to the Citty be Inclosed within fence.

ORDERED that Alderman Boelen Alderman Wenham Mr Lurting and Mr Beyvanke be A Committee to take Such proper Methods for ye Removing the Incumbrance of the Ground belonging to the Citty Hall for which Clause Burger has A Grant as they shall think most proper & beneficial for ys Citty.

ORDERED that the Mayor doe take Effectual Care forthwith to haue the Streets of this Citty Cleaned & Paved & put into Good Order for ye Generall benefitt & Accommodation of the Inhabitants of this Citty.

ORDERED that No Ships Sloops Boats or other Vessells doe lye in the Dock or any of the Slips of this Citty A longer time then for Convenient Loading & unloading Upon the Penalty of Six Shilings for Every tide they Shall lye longer then such Convenient time.

The Mayor Reports that he has Agreed with Mr Teunis Dekey for to fill up King Street for ys Sum of Sixty pounds & A Silver Cup Not Exceeding five pounds One halfe thereof to be paid when halfe filled and the Remainder when Compleated which is Approved & Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrt for the Payment of the same.

The Committee Appointed for to Agree with John Ellison About the Markett house haue made their Reporte which was read and Approved with this Addition that the house Shall be two Storys High And that the Mayor Execute A Lease Accordingly.

[362] The Petition of the Inhabitants of Queen Street was read praying that A Markett be Appointed att Countess Key and that they will build A Convenient Markett house att their own Charge for ye Publick benefitt which Petition is Accordingly Granted And ORDERED the Inhabitants of the said Street att their Own Cost and Charge have Liberty to Erect Any publick building att Countess Key Aforesaid for the Conveniency and Ornament of the Citty.

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrt to the Treasurer to pay to Matthew Clarkson ESqr the sum of two pounds Eight Shilings Currt Money of New Yorke itt being for two Books of Records One for A Tax Booke & the Other for ye Mayors Courte.

ORDERED the Accts of the Sheriff Coll D: Peyster and Capt Provoost be Commited to the Auditors of the Publick Accts and that they make Reporte thereof Accordingly.

The Petition of Mr William Beeckman was Read praying A Grant for A Certaine piece of Ground lying between ys land of Stuyvesants Bowry and Kipsbury & that he is Willing to pay the Value thereof.

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ORDERED that Alderman Cortlandt And Alderman Clock be A Committee to View ye Premisses & take to their Assistance the Surveyor And make A Draft thereof & Reporte their Proceedings therein to the Next Common Council.

The Committee Appointed to Agree with Mrs Leisler for the Ground between Burgers path & Runing up Queen Street &c: doe Reporte that in Consideration of the two Streets Allowed to the Citty out of ye Land of the said Widdow Leisler that She haue A Grant from High water to low water Marke fronting her Patent Only what lyes before the houses of Leonard Huygen & Jacob Teller Excepted, which Reporte is Approved & ORDERED the surveyors Make A Draft of ye same & that the Mayor Execute A Grant Accordingly.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 6th day of September Anno Dom 1699

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

Aldermen:
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Martin Clock

Assistants:
John Euwatse
Robt Lurting
Peter Willemse

ORDERED that the Mayor Agree with Some person for the Keeping of An Hospital for the Maintainance of the poor of this Citty Upon ye most Easy Terms that may be and also that he hire A house Suitable for that Occasion.

ORDERED that assoon as Alderman Lewis has made his Reporte on the Acct of Mr Jourdain that the Mayor Issue his Warrt on Coll Merrett ye late Mayor for ye Paymt to Henry Jourdain what Shall be allowed him by the Audite. Coll Merrett having Moneys in his hands belonging to the Citty.

Itt is the Opinion of the Major parte of this Board that Alderman Clock has A Right to build Upon ye Ground ranging with his house Near Burgers path.

Johannes Cortlandt and Andries Gravenraet for themselves & the Other Inhabitants of the South and Dock Wards of this Citty Enter

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A Caveat Agt the passing of A Lease to John Ellison for the Markett house att ye Custom house bridge Untill Such time they are heard.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 20th day of September Anno Dom 1699

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jacob Boelen
Robert Walters
Thomas Wenham } ESqrs Aldermen
John Euwatse
Peter Willemse
Evert Beyvanke
Robt Lurting } Assistants.

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The Petition of the Inhabitants of the south and Dock Ward was read And taken into Consideration till Next Common Council.

Ordered that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the paying the Expences which was made att the Laying ye foundation of the Citty Hall.

Pursuant to the Act of Assembly for ye Enabling the Citty of New Yorke to Defray their publick Charge &c: itt is Unanimously Ordered that

Richard Willett
ISaac Deforeest
John Crooke
John Willemse
Matthew Clarkson
& Teunis Dekey

be the Overseers of the publick Works and buildings to Assist the Common Council According as the said Act Directs.

The Petition of the Inhabitants of Harlem was read praying they may Annually Choose three persons of the said Town to have the Determination of all petit Trespasses Under ye Value of fourty Shilings According to former Custom that their Coming to New Yorke Upon Every frivolous Occasion is A Grievious Prejudice to them &c:

Ordered that the Inhabitants of Harlem doe Annually on the twenty Ninth day of September being the feast day of St Michael the Archangell by Majority of Votes Elect And Choose three sufficient freeholders of the said Town of Harlem to have the Determination

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of all Petit Trespasses [365] Under the Value of fourty Shilings that Upon ye Said Election Return Shall be made forthwith to the Office of Town Clerke of the Citty of New Yorke of the Names of Such persons Elected as Aforesaid that the said Persons Shall be Called Overseers of Harlem & Annually On the 14th day of October the said persons Shall Come to New Yorke and be sworne by the Mayor well truely Impartially and Justly According to the best of their Knowledge to doe Equal Right to the Inhabitants of the said Town of Harlem & that they or any two of them Shall Award Execution According to such Method & forme as has been Accustomed in the Said Town of Harlem. And that the Constable of the said Town of Harlem doe serve all summons Warrants Executions or Other process Awarded by the said Overseers

The Inhabitants of Harlem Also petition for Liberty to Erect A Mill or Mills On the River between Kings Bridge and Hudsons River for the Conveniency of the Inhabitants of the said town

Ordered that the Inhabitants of Harlem have Liberty to Erect one or two Mills att one place on the said River and No More Provided that they doe Not hinder the passage of Boats and Sloops Round Manhattans Island.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Fryday the 29th day of Sepbr Anno Dom 1699

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jacob Boelen
Leonard Lewis
Thomas Wenham
Martin Clock } ESqrs Aldermen
Peter Willemse
Evert Bevvanke
Robt Lurting } Assistants

Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to ye Aldermen of Each Respective Ward of this Citty According to the Usage Custom Laws and Ordinances of the said Citty for ye Electing this day [366] One Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one Petty Constable in each Respective Ward within the said Citty and also Overseers of the Highways for the Divisions of the Bowry

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and Harlem of the Outward to Serve in their Respective Offices for the Year Ensueing and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof att twelve A Clock att Noon to the Office of Town Clerke under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenure of the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth

Dock Ward	Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESq[r]	Aldermen
	Samuell Bayard	Assistant
	Richard Willett Thomas Burroughs	Assessors John Vanhorne Since Elected
	John Vincent y[e] Cooper	Collector
	Lawrence Van Hooke	Constable
North Ward	Cap[t] Evert Bevvanke	Alderman
	Johannes Tiebout	Assistant
	Gerrett Onclebag Albertus Ringe	Assessors
	John Crooke	Collector — — Since Jesse Kip is Elected in his Room
	Thomas Saunders	Constable
South Ward	Capt Brandt Schuyler	Alderman
	Hendrick Jelleson	Assistant
	William Jackson Giles Gaudineau	Assessors
	Stephen Buckenhauen	Collector
	Jacobus Cornelisse	Constable
East Ward	Leonard Lewis ESq[r]	Alderman Since Elected Johannes D Peyster ESq[r]
	Abraham Brasier	Assistant
	Abram Abrams Adrian Hoghlandt	Assessors
	Cornelius Lodge	Collector
	Peter Newkirke	Constable. Since Chose Emanuell Young. John Righton & Burger Mynders
West Ward	Capt ISaac D: Riemer ESq[r]	Alderman
	Peter Willemse	Assistant.
	John Willemse Harmanus Van Gelder	Assessors
	Bartholemew Laroux	Collector
	Martin Beeckman	Constable

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	Capt Martin Clock	Alderman
	Abraham Mesier	Assistant
	John Ryckman	Assessor
	Phillip Manton	Collector for ye Bowry
	William Green	Constable. John Hendricks Sworne in his Room
Out Ward	Johannes Thomasse	Surveyors of the High ways
	Egbert Harman	
	Samuell Waldron	Constable for Ha[r]lem
	Jan Dyckman	Assessor
	Johannes Meyer	Collector
	ISaac Turneur	Overseers of Harlem
	Peter Oblinis	
	Lawrence Janse	

The Mayor hath been pleased to Appoint Coenraet Tenycke High Constable of this Citty for ye Year Ensueing.

ISaac D: Riemer ESqr is Appointed Chamberlain or Treasurer of this Citty for the Year Ensueing he Giving Sufficient Sureties for the due Execution of that Office for which he is to have one pound ten Shilings ℔ Cent for Receiving and Paying

The Petition of William Sharpas was read praying that the Citty would Grant to him A Certaine piece of Land Runing from High water to Low water Marke fronting the Purchase of William Huddleston &c: lying Near the house of Thomas Hooke the sadler And Contains One hundred foot in length Along the East River &c: ORDERED that in Consideration of his Diligent and faithfull Service to this Citty as Town Clerke thereof for this seaven Years past & for his Encouragement to Continue Soe for the future that the said Land Containing one hundred foot in length and to Low water Marke be Granted unto him and that the Surveyors lay out the same & that the Mayor Execute A Grant Accordingly and that the Mayor Sign this Minute by Order of this Board.

[368] This being the Anniversary day that the Mayor & Sheriff of this Citty are to be Nominated to Serve in their Respective Stations for this Citty for the Year Ensueing itt is therefore ORDERED that Mr Recorder doe waite Upon the Lieut Governour And Council to know their pleasure therein and to desire they will be pleased to Nominate the Mayor and Sheriff of this Citty for the Year Ensueing Pursuant to the Directions of the Charter of the said Citty and that he forthwith make Reporte thereof to this Board.

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ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warr^{t} to the Treasurer to pay to Enoch Hill or Order the sum of two pounds ten Shilings Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke itt being for one Quarters Sallary due to him as Marshall of this Citty Ending the fourteenth day of October Next Ensueing.

M^{r} Recorder Reports to this Courte that he waited on the Hon^{ble} the Lieu^{t} Gouvernour and Council Who were pleased to Nominate in Council Cap^{t} David Provoost Mayor and M^{r} Charles Oliver sheriff to Serve in their Respective Offices of Mayor & sheriff of this Citty for the Year Ensueing.

ORDERED that the Mayor Execute A Lease to John Ellison for the Markett house by the bridge According to the Reporte of the Committee Appointed to Agree with him on y^{e} Terms for farming the same And that the Inhabitants of the south Ward haue Liberty to Erect Any publick building att their Own proper Charge On the Ground Adjacent thereunto On the south side thereof for the Publick Accommodation And Ornament of the Citty.

[369] ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of y^{e} Said Citty On Saturday y^{e} 14th day of October Anno Dom 1699

Present Johannes D: Peyster ESq^{r} Mayor
James Graham ESq^{r} Recorder
Jacob Boelen
Robert Walters
Thomas Wenham
Martin Clock } ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Peter Willemse
Evert Beyvanke
Rob^{t} Lurting
Abraham Mesier } Assistants

This day the Mayor Attended by Cap^{t} David Provoost the Mayor Elect And the Recorder Aldermen Sheriff Assistants Constables & Other Officers as well those in Office as those elect According to the usage Practice & Custom of the said Citty waited Upon the Hon^{ble} John Nanfan ESq^{r} Lieu^{t} Gouvernour, in Council Where the Mayor & sheriff *and sheriff* Elect had the Oaths Administred to them Appointed Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy & subscribed the Test and Association. and Also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices & Received their Commissions

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Accordingly. from thence the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid Went to Trinity Church where the Rector thereof Mr William Vezey Preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion Which Ended they Returned to the Citty Hall where After the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor and sheriff were published, Whereupon the New Mayor Resumed the Chair And Caused the Oaths Appointed as Aforesaid to be Administred to ys Respective Aldermen and Assistants who Subscribed the Test and Association and were sworne to the due Execution of their Respective Offices And Accordingly tooke their places. Jacobus Van Cortlandt ESqr Alderman of the Dock Ward & Leonard Lewis ESqr Alderman of the East Ward Only Excepted the first of which is Sick And the Other Absent. ISaac D: Riemer ESqr was also Sworne Treasurer of this Citty for the Year Ensueing.

[370[Coenraet Teneyck was Also Sworne High Constable of this Citty for the Year Ensueing and the Constables Elected for the Respective Wards of this Citty were all sworne Except the Constable of the East Ward. Mem̄ John Hendricks Brevort was Sworne Constable of the Bowry in the Room of William Green.

Ordered that A Warrt Issue to the Alderman of the East Ward for the Election of Another Constable Peter Newkirke Return'd for ys Office having already Served therein two Years Since.

The Overseers of Harlem were Sworne to the due Execution of their Offices According to former Custom.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the 16th day of October 1699

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
- Brandt Schuyler
- ISaac D: Reimer
- Evert Beyvanke

Assistants.
- Peter Willemse
- Samuell Bayard
- Hendrick Jelleson
- Johannes Tiebout
- Abraham Brazier
- Abraham Mesier

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Leonard Lewis ESqr Return'd for Alderman of the East Ward of the said Citty this day Appeared before this Board & Desired he be Excused from serving in that Station he having served the said Ward in the Sd Office for three Years past and that itt would be A prejudice to his particular Business to Attend the duty of the same. ORDERED that ye Mayor Issue his Warrant to Mr Abraham Brazier Assistant of the said Ward to Cause summons all and Every the Inhabitants and Cittizens within the said Ward to make Choice of A fitt person to Serve as Alderman of the said Ward for the Year Ensueing & Return thereof made by Wensday att twelve of the Clock to the Office of Town Clerke. [371] The Oaths Appointed Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and Supremacy were Administred to Jacobus Van Cortlandt ESqr Elected Alderman of the Dock Ward of the said Citty also ye Oath of Alderman who Accordingly Subscribed the Test & Association And tooke his place.

ORDERED that the Mayor Alderman D: Riemer Mr Jelleson and Mr Tiebout be A Committee Calling to their Assistance Such Carpenters & Bricklayers as they Shall think Convenient to make an Estimate of What Stone Bricks Lime Timber and Other Materialls will be Nessessary to be provided & Employed for ye building of the New Citty Hall the Next summer and also what will be the Charge thereof & make Reporte to the Next Common Council

ORDERED the Same Committee doe View the Blockhouse by the Governours Garden & Whether itt may be Conveniently fitted for A Prison and make Reporte thereof to the Next Common Council & also what will be the Charge thereof.

ORDERED that the Mayor Agree With four able and honest Cittizens to Serve in the Office of Bellmen of this Citty untill the twenty fifth day of March Next Ensueing Upon the Most Reasonable Terms that may be and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

THE Petition of the Inhabitants of the southward was Read Praying that they have Liberty to make and Erect A Publick Markett house for the Ornament and Benefitt of ye Citty on the Ground Whereon the Old Markett house Stands on in which John Ellison lives, he the said John Ellison having Relinquished his Agreement with the Citty

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ORDERED that Alderman Cortlandt Ald. Beyvanke Mr Brasier and Mr Willemse be A Committee to Consult with the Inhabitants of the said South Ward What building they propose to make On the premises And what Yearly Rent they will Pay for the same And make Reporte thereof to the Next Common Council.

[372] The Petition of Peter Jansen Mesier was read praying A Grant from High water to low water Marke fronting his Purchase to the North River

ORDERED that Alderman Beyvanke and Mr Jelleson Calling the surveyors of the City to their Assistance be A Committee to View the same and make A Draft of What is desired by the Petitioner and make Reporte thereof by the first Convenient Opportunity.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds four Shilings Curr: Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe years Sallary due the 14th Instant & for pen Ink & paper for the same time which is Allowed.

The Petition of Clement Elsworth was read praying A Grant of A piece of ground fronting the East River Near the Ground of Mr Beeckman for the use of A Yard for ye Building of Shiping &c: ORDERED Alderman Schuyler Alderman D: Riemer & Mr Byard be a Committee to View the same & Examine the Demensions & make Reporte to this Board whether the same will be Convenient to be Granted.

ORDERED that the Mayor Provide a Coate Breeches Shoes Stockings And hatt of the Citty Livery for Enoch Hill Marshall of this Citty And that he draw upon the Treasurer for ye Payment of ye Same.

ORDERED that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Beyvanke Mr Byard And Mr Brasier be A Committee to Audite the late Treasurers Books and Accounts and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mrs Ruth Davies the sum of Nine pounds One shiling Curr: Money of New Yorke itt being for Candles and Expences with Mr Rodman about the Sale of the Old Citty Hall and A halfe yeares Rent for the Courte Room due and Ending the first day of November Next.

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[373] Att A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Wensday ye first day of November Anno Dom 1699

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
ISaac D: Riemer
Evert Beyvanke
Martin Clock

Assistants:
Samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse
Abraham Mesier
Abraham Brasier
Hendrick Jelleson
Johannes Tiebout

The Committee Appointed to make an Estimate of What Stones Brick Lime Timber and Other Materialls will be Needfull to be Imployed for the building the New Citty Hall doe Reporte that they have Called to their Assistance Severall able Carpenters and Bricklayers and have made an Estimate of the Charge thereof which Amounts to the sum of One thousand one hundred & fifty One pounds Eighteen Shilings and three pence Currant Money of New Yorke as Appears by an Estimate thereof made which Estimate was read and Approved.

Ordered that the same Committee doe Agree with Persons for the finishing the same Materialls att or before the twenty fifth day of March Next Ensueing Upon the most Easy Terms they Can Agree for the Benefitt of the Citty.

Ordered that Mr Mayor Alderman D: Riemer Mr Jelleson And Mr Tiebout be a Committee to make an Estimate of what Money will be Needfull to be Raised between this and the 25th day of March Next Ensueing for the building the ferry house, the New Citty Hall and Other publick buildings According to the Act of Assembly in that Case made & make Reporte thereof to morrow morning Nine A Clock.

[374] Assize of Bread to be as followeth

Wheat att 4s—4d ℔ Bushell White bread 13 Ounces for three halfe pence Wheaten bread three pounds and A Halfe for four pence halfe penny Wheat att 4s — 8d ℔ Bushell White bread 12 Ounces for three halfe pence And Wheaten bread three pound for four pence halfe

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penny. Wheat att five Shilings & four pence ℔ Bushell White bread ten Ounces for three halfe pence and Wheaten bread two pound & a halfe for four pence halfe penny

Wheat att Six Shilings ℔ Bushell White Bread Eight Ounces for three halfe pence and Wheaten bread two pound for four pence halfe penny.

ORDERED that the Mayor doe Agree with some person or persons to be the publick Scavengers of this Citty in Order that the Streets of ye same be weekly Cleaned And the filth and Soyle thereof be Carried Away for the publick Conveniency & Benefitt of the Inhabitants of the same and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition

ORDERED that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman D: Riemer Mr Bayard & Mr Brasier or Any three of them be A Committee to Audite all the publick Accounts of the Citty and Call out of the hands of Capt Lewis all Such Accounts as he has in his Custody Relating to the same and Also make an Abstract of what Money the Citty is Indebted and make Reporte by the first Conveniency.

Citty of New Yorke } SS.

ATT A Common Council held att ye Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Thursday ye 2d day of November Anno Dom 1699

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder

Johannes D: Peyster
ISaac D: Riemer
Evert Beyvanke
Martin Clock
} ESqrs Alderman

Peter Willemse
Abraham Mesier
Abraham Brasier
} Assistants

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Hendrick Jelleson
Samuell Bayard
Johannes Tiebout
} Assistants

Matthew Clarkson
Teunis Dekey
ISaac D: Foreest
John Crooke
John Willemse
Richard Willett
} Overseers of the publick Works & buildings &c:

PURSUANT to an Act of Genll Assembly of this Province Entituled

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An Act for the Enabling the Citty of New Yorke to pay their debts and to Erect & Repair their publick buildings & Defray their Nessessary and Publick Charge the Mayor Aldermen & Assistants having Called to their Assistance the Overseers of the Publick Works and buildings in Order for the Preparing of an Estimate of the Monies that will be Needfull to be Raised for the Year Ensueing for the building the Citty Hall and the ferry house and itt is Resolved by Majority of Votes that the sum of Sixteen hundred pounds Currant Money of New Yorke be Raised for the Year Ensueing to be paid by four Equal Quarterly payments Eleaven hundred and sixty five pounds Whereof for the Providing Materialls & building of the Citty Hall & four hundred & thirty five pounds Residue thereof for the building the house att the Ferry. Which is ORDERED to be Given to the Respective Assessors to Raise the same Accordingly.

ASSIZE OF BREAD PUBLISHED NOVEMBR THE 22D 1699

ORDERED the Assize of Bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt)

A White loafe of the finest Flower to weigh twelve Ounces for three halfe pence

A Wheaten loaf the Coursest Bran Only taken Out and not Otherways to weigh three pounds for four pence halfe penny wheat being att four shilings and Eight pence ℔ Bushell.

[376] Itt is Also ORDERED that No Other bread be made for Sale within this Citty then what above Specified and all Bakers within the same are hereby Required to Keep bread in their Shops Pursuant to the Above Assize that the Inhabitants be supplyed Accordingly

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday ye 16th day of January Anno Dom 1699-700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Brandt Schuyler
ISaac D: Riemer
Samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse
} ESqrs Aldermen

Hendrick Jelleson
Abraham Brasier
Johannes Tiebout
} Assistants

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ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Peter Willemse Roome the sum of two hundred & Ninety pounds Currant Money of New Yorke which with One hundred and fourty five pounds he has Already Received is in full payment And satisfaction for the Materialls and building the Citty house att the ferry & Ordered the Treasurer pay the same.

ORDERED that the Mayor Alderman D: Peyster Alderman D: Riemer Mr Peter Willemse and Mr Brasier be A Committee of this board for the Managing & Supervising the building of the New Citty Hall for the publick Service of this Citty who are hereby Impowered to treat with Any person or persons who will undertake Either by the Great or by the day the building and finishing of the said Structure att such Reasonable and Easy Terms as may be most beneficial and Profitable for the Said Citty. and to the End that all things and Materialls Needfull for the said building may be duely Satisfied and paid to such as are Imployed therein itt is ORDERED that the Mayor doe Issue his Warrants from time to time as there Shall be Occasion on the Treasurer of the said Citty for the payment of the Respective sums which Shall become due for ye Service Aforesaid. And that A true and distinct Account of the Materialls and severall Payments be kept by the said Committee.

[377] ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman schuyler the sum of Six Shilings itt being for Mending the Wall of the litle bridge.

ORDERED that all the former Laws Orders and Ordinances made for the good Rule and Government of the Inhabitants of the same be Confirmed & Continued in force till further Order.

ORDERED that Alderman Schuyler and Mr Jelleson be A Committee to Agree with Persons for the Effectual Cleaning of the Dock of this Citty as they Shall See most beneficial and Convenient for the Publick Accommodation of the said Citty Soe that the same be Cleaned this Next summer.

ORDERED that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Clock Mr Brasier & Mr Tiebout or any three of them be A Committee to View the place On which Jasper Nessepott *on which Jasper Nessepott* intends to build A Mill *on* att Kings bridge and make Reporte to this board whether the Erecting the said Mill will hinder the passage of Boats & Sloops Round this Island And Whether itt will be Convenient to Grant him Liberty to Erect A Mill thereon And make Reporte thereof to the Next Common Council.

The Petition of William Beeckman for A Grant for parte of the

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Commons Near Kipsbury was read and Rejected this board not being willing to dispose of Any of the Sd Commons.

The Petition of Clement Elsworth for A Grant of Some land between Mr Beeckmans & Mr Slades was read and Rejected the Citty not be Willing to Sell the same.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the 19th day of February Anno Dom 1699–700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster, Jacobus V: Cortlandt } ESqrs Aldermen

[378]
Brandt Schuyler, ISaac D: Riemer, Evert Beyvanke } ESqrs Aldermen
Samuell Bayard, Peter Willemse, Hendrick Jelleson } Assistants

The Committee Appointed to View the place Whereon Jasper Nessepott Intends to build A Mill on att Kings Bridge Reporte in these words following (Viz!) Jan 20th 1699 pursuant to an Order of ye Common Council to us directed Wee have Viewed the place for Erecting A Mill at Kings bridge and Wee are of Opinion that the same be Granted to Jasper Nessepott On Condition that he take out of the way the Stones and Rocks On the Other Side thereof that the same may not hinder the Passage of Boats and Canows and when Any is to pass att their Reasonable Request he is to shutt his Sluces & On the Other side of the bridge Erect A post in the water and have A Rope ready to Assist them in passing Which Reporte is Approved.

The Petition of John Marsh was read praying the Grant of the Mill to be built att Kings bridge be made to him and Jasper Nessepot he the said Marsh being the first Projector thereof.

This Courte having heard ye Allegations of both parties doe Grant the Liberty to build the said Mill att Spikendevill to the said Jasper Nessepott And John Marsh, Provided he the said John Marsh doe keep and performe the Agreements made between him & the said Jasper Nessepott Relating to the building the same. and that if the said John Marsh doe not performe the said Agreements that then the

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said Mill and Profitts thereof doe Accrue and be Granted to the Said Jasper Nessepott.

Upon Reading of the Reporte of the Committee Appointed to View the Markett house and for the Erecting A Publick building there for the Ornament and benefitt of the Citty by the Inhabitants of y^e^ South Ward. Ordered that the said Markett house be Granted to the s^d^ Ward for the Terme of fifty Years they the said Inhabitants in two Years time Erecting A Publick building According to the Moddell Exhibited to this Courte they Yielding the Yearly Rent of twelve pounds & keeping And delivering the same in good Repair att the Expiration of the Said Terme of fifty Years

[379] The Petition of Robert Walters ESq^rs^ &c: for the Removing of the Wharfe to Low water Marke was read. Refer'd to further Consideration.

Ordered that the sessions of the Mayor Courte & Common Council be held for the Citty att the house of Gabriel Tompson in the single Street And that the Bell be hung there.

Ordered that Alderman D: Riemer Alderman Beyvanke M^r^ Hendrick Jelleson and M^r^ Johannes Tiebout be A Committee to Examine the Account of M^r^ Peter Delanoy Deceased & make Reporte to this Courte by all Convenient Speed.

Ordered the Mayor Issue his Warr^t^ to Major Merrett for the payment of ten pounds for Henry Jourdain.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday y^e^ 20^th^ day of February Anno Dom 1699-700

Present David Provoost ESq^r^ Mayor
James Graham ESq^r^ Recorder

ESq^rs^ Aldermen:
- Johannes D: Peyster
- Brandt Schuyler
- ISaac D: Riemer
- Martin Clock
- Samuell Bayard

Assistants:
- Abraham Brazier
- Johannes Tiebout
- Hendrick Jelleson
- Abraham Mesier

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The Petition of John Euwatse who farmed the Ferry being read ORDERED that Mr Mayor Alderman Schuyler Alderman D: Peyster Alderman D: Riemer Mr Bayard & Mr Brasier be A Committee to Inspect into the profitts of the ferry & the Conditions that itt has been farmed for since itt was under ye Direction of the Citty and Make A State of the same how itt may be most Advantagiously Improved for the Benefitt of the Citty and make Reporte what they Shall doe therein with all Convenient Speed vnto the Mayor.

[380] The board taking into their Consideration the foulness of the Dock ORDERED the same Committee doe Examine the Conditions the Dockage is farmed for and take Care that the farmers doe forthwith performe the Conditions they are Obliged to Otherwise that they make Satisfaction for their Defect.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Meeting of the Mayor Alderman And Assistants & Overseers of the Publick Works And buildings on ye day of February Anno Dom 1699-700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor

ESqrs Aldermen:
- Brandt Schuyler
- ISaac D: Riemer

Assistants:
- Hendrick Jelleson
- Samuell Bayard
- Johannes Tiebout
- Abraham Brazier
- John Crooke

Overseers &c:
- Teunis Dekey
- Matthew Clarkson
- Richard Willett
- John Willemse

Pursuant to the Directions of the Act of Assembly Enabling the Citty of New Yorke to pay their Debts &c: this board Convened together & finde they have no present Occasion to Raise Any more Money by Vertue of the said Act.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att yᵉ Citty Hall of yᵉ Said Citty on Fryday yᵉ 29th day of March Anno Dom 1700.

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
James Graham ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt } ESqrs Aldermen
Brandt Schuyler
ISaac D Riemer
Peter Willemse } Assistants
Samuell Bayard
Abraham Brasier
Johannes Tiebout
Abraham Mesier

[381] ORDERED that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman D: Riemer Mr Willemse And Mr Tiebout be A Committee to Enquire for A Convenient house to make A Powder house till such one as the Citty Can Provide one for that use & make Reporte upon what Terms they Can hire itt and what Charge will make the same Conv nient for the purpose aforesaid And make Reporte thereof to the M yor with all Convenient Expedition in Order the Powder of the Citty be Carried thither & Secured Accordingly.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of ten pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe Years Sallary as Cl of this Courte Ending the fourteenth April Next.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Matthew Clarkson ESqr Secretary of this Province the sum of five pounds Sixteen shillings Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for two Commissions of the peace.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to pay to Thomas Burroughs or Order the sum of Nine pounds Six shilings & Nine pence Currt Money of New Yorke itt being for Severall Measures for the Citty Money by him disbursted for Mending yᵉ Cage and severall Other things for the Cittys use.

ORDERED that Alderman Schuyler Alderman D: Riemer Mr Jelleson and Mr Tiebout or Any three of them be A Committee to lett the Dock of this Citty to farme After yᵉ Expiration of the Present Lease Not Exceeding Seaven Years and also to Agree with the persons that Lease yᵉ Same for the Cleaning thereof this summer On such Reasonable Terms as they shall See Convenient & that the Revenue of the

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same be Applyed for the Defraying the Charge of Cleaning thereof And to No Other use till further Order.

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Enoch Hill Marshall of this Citty the sum of fifty Shilings for One Quarters Sallary due the fourteenth day of January last.

[382] ORDERED that the Treasurer pay to Capt John D: Peyster Capt. John Kip Capt Brandt Schuyler Capt John Tuder & Capt Jeremiah Tothill Each the sum of One pound ten Shilings itt being Money by them Disbursted in the year 1697 for fire and Candle on the Night Guard.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on *On* Tuesday y^e 9^th day of April Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESq^r Mayor
James Graham ESq^r Recorder
Johannos D: Peyster
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Brandt Schuyler
ISaac D: Riemer
} ESq^rs Aldermen

Samuell Bayard
Johannes Tiebout
Abraham Brasier
Hendrick Jelleson.
} Assistants.

ORDERED that the Treasurer of this Citty Goe to Lieu^t Coll William Merrett late Mayor of this Citty and Demand of him the Ballance of his Acc^t which he is Indebted to the Citty & make Reporte thereof to the Next Common Council

ORDERED the Committee Appointed to hire A Powder house doe Agree for the same on the most Reasonable Terms that may be & doe Also Imploy Persons to make the same fitt and Convenient for the Publick powder house of this Citty & what Charge shall Accrue thereon & that the Mayor Issue his Warr^t for y^e Payment of y^e Same.

WHEREAS the Inhabitants of this Citty have Neglected to Restrain their Indian and Negro Slaves from Associating together on the holy Sabbath in time of Divine Service to the Great Scandal of the Christian Profession and Religion Itt is therefore ORDERED that Publick Notice be Given to the Inhabitants of this Citty Charging them Strictly to Keep within Doors their Negro Slaves During the time of Divine Service (Acts of Nessessity Excepted) And that if Any Indian or Negro Slaves On any [383] time of the Sabbath be found to Associate

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together about the Number of three that Effectuall Care Shall be taken to Punish them as the Law directs.

WHEREAS Severall Illdisposed persons doe make A Common Practice of Emptying Tubbs of Odour and Nastiness in this Citty to the Great Nusance and Inconveniency of y^e^ Inhabitants of the Same. Itt is therefore ORDER'D that if Any person within this Citty doe throw or Empty any Tubbs of Odour in Any of the Streets of this Citty the Inhabitants of Such house from whence the same is brought Shall be fined for y^e^ Same att the discretion of the Mayor Not Exceeding fourty Shilings for each Offence One halfe to the Informer & the Other halfe to the Citty And that all Persons within this Citty doe Empty their Odours into the River & no where Else On y^e^ Penalty Aforesaid.

ORDERED that for y^e^ Regulating the Paving of the Streets of this Citty that Whatever persons Inhabiting within the same y^t^ Shall be ORDERED to paue before their Respective houses & doe Neglect or Refuse to paue the same Shall for Every Neglect or Refuse Pay the sum of twenty Shilings to be Levied & disposed of in Manner as in the Ordinance of Paving is Contained.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Saturday the 13^th^ day of April Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESq^r^ Mayor
James Graham ESq^r^ Recorder

ESq^rs^ Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Brandt Schuyler
ISaac D: Riemer
Evert Beyvanke

Assistants.
Peter Willemse
samuell Bayard
ISaac Brasier
Hendrick Jelleson
Johannes Tiebout

[384] ORDERED that A Powder house be forthwith built within this Citty for the Keeping all the Publick powder within the same. And that No Inhabitant within this Citty doe Keep in their houses or Store houses above the Quantity of fifty pounds of powder att one time On penalty of ten shilings for Every Offence for each Barrell And Whatever powder Shall be Imported into this Citty Shall be Lodged in the said Powder house & Shall pay for Storage in the same & for being

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Delivered Out thereof two Shilings & three pence for each Barrell by the Year or Soe long as itt Shall Continue there. The Mayor having proposed that he will Erect A Publick Building for the Keeping of powder att his Own Charge of the Demensions of fourty foot long twenty four foot wide and two Stories High with A good fence Inclosing the Same Provided he may Enjoy for the Terme of thirty one Years And have the Benefitt of two shilings and three pence for each Barrell that Shall be lodged therein together with yᵉ fines Imposed for Keeping powder in Private houses &c: Which Publick building he will Keep in good and Sufficient Repair During the said Terme and att the Expiration thereof surrender & deliver up to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke for the time being in good and sufficient Repair which Proposal is Approved by this Courte & ORDERED A Grant be made to the Mayor for the same & that the Recorder Sign itt Accordingly. Itt is also further Ordered that the Mayor have yᵉ Stones left of the Bastians to build yᵉ Same.

ORDERED that for the Adjusting the Accᵗ between Lieutᵗ Coll Merrett And the Citty that the Same be Referᵈ to four Indifferent Persons to be Arbitrators thereof two of which to be Appointed by the Mayor & two by Coll Merrett and both parties to be Concluded by their Award.

ORDERED that if the said Coll Merrett doe Refuse to leave yᵉ Same to Arbitration that then the Mayor fee A Lawyer to sue him for what he is Indebted to the Citty.

ORDERED that the bridge be Run Over to the Wharfe Cross the Dock And that the Dock on the West side of the Bridge be filled up Provided itt be no Charge to the Citty.

[385] Citty of New Yorke } SS

CONDITIONS FOR FARMING Yᵉ DOCK & SLIPS OF Yᵉ CITTY OF NEW YORKE ATT Yᵉ HOUSE OF Mᴿ MICHAEL HAWDEN UPON SATURDAY Yᵉ 13ᵗʰ OF APRIL 1700 hor 9ᵗᵒ post meridien

That the Dock of the said Citty Shall be Lett to farme for the Terme of Seaven Years to Commence from the first day of November 1701 on the Conditions following (Vizᵗ)

That the farmer thereof within the space of One Year Next Ensueing the Date hereof Shall att his Own proper Cost and charge well and Sufficiently Clean the said Dock, & slip in the Dock of all the Mudd & filth therein Soe deep as till they finde A sandy Bottom and During the said Lease shall soe Keep the same Clean and shall Also Keep the

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Wharfs Inclosing the same in good and Sufficient Repair and att the Expiration of the Lease to Deliver the said Wharfs in good & sufficient Repair *and att the Expiration of the Lease to Deliver the said Wharfs in Good and sufficient Repair* and the Said Dock and slip well and sufficiently Cleaned Unto the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the said Citty of New Yorke for y^e^ time being or to their Assigns.

That the Farmer Shall be Obliged to pay the Rent thereof to y^e^ Treasurer of this Citty by four Equal Quarterly payments Curr^t^ Money of this Province.

That the Farmer Shall be Obliged before the Ensealing & delivery of the Lease for y^e^ Same to Give such sufficient Sureties as the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the said Citty Shall Judge Needfull for the true performance of Each Respective Covenant Contained in the Said Lease.

That if the farmer shall Neglect to Give such Security as Aforesaid that then the Said Dock Shall be Again Demised And if Lett for less then first Agreed on the said first farmer is to make good And pay the loss with all Charges and Expences and if farmed for more he to haue No benefitt thereby

That Whateuer Vessels Boats &c: which Shall goe into Any of the slips of this Citty Shall be Obliged to pay Such Rates as Vessels of the like [386] Burthen which goe into the Aforesaid Dock And the Benefitt thereof to be to the farmer of the said Dock.

And Upon the Aforesaid Conditions the said Dock to be demised to the highest bidder.

Orders & Regulations for paym^t^ of Dock Money looke page 165.

Memorandum that the Inhabitants of the south Ward or their Assigns have Liberty to Erect A Building On the West Side of y^e^ Custom house Bridge Runing from the Street into the Dock one hundred and twenty Seaven foot, and in breadth Seaventy foot, Any thing before Mentioned in the Above Conditions Notwithstanding.

That the said Farmer Shall also Receive by Quarterly payments the Revenue of the said Dock as itt is Now farmed att (which is fourty pounds ℔ Annum) to Commence from the first day of May Next Untill the first day of November which will be in the Year 1701 to dispose of towards the Cleaning of the said Dock which will Compleat the sum of Sixty pounds being One Year and A halfe. The Above Dock and Slips on y^e^ 13^th^ day of April 1700 was demised to M^r^ Phillip French for the Revenue of fourty pounds ℔ Annum On the Conditions Above Mentioned he being the highest bidder.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty On Fryday ye 17th day of May Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor

Johannes D: Peyster
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Brandt Schuyler
ISaac D: Riemer
Martin Clock
} ESqrs Alderman

Hendrick Jelleson
Johannes Tiebout
Abram Brazier
Peter Willemse
} Assistants

Teunis Dekey
Richard Willett
John Willemse
} Overseers of ye poor &c:

Pursuant to the Directions of an Act of Genll Assembly of this [387] Province Entituled An Act Enabling the Citty of New Yorke to pay their Debts &c: itt is the Opinion of the board that their is not Any present Occasion to Raise Any more Money by Vertue of ye said Act.

The Account of Johannes D: Peyster ESqr late Mayor of this Citty was read And ORDERED the Committee for Auditing the publick Accts doe Audite the same And make Reporte thereof to the Next Common Council.

ORDERED that the Treasurer goe to John Euwatse with two good And Sufficient Wittnesses and Demand of him the Arrearage of Rent payable by him for ye Ferry of this Citty and that if the said John Euwatse Shall Refuse to pay the same that then the Treasurer doe Order him to Remove Out of the Citty house att the ferry by the 24th day of June Next & ORDERED that the Mayor Calling to his Assistance three Aldermen And three Common Council men doe Demise the same to farme by Publick Outcry to the highest bidder.

ORDERED the Treasurer goe to Mr Rip Van Dam and Demand of him to Execute the Lease of the Ferry Pursuant to ye Articles on which the same was farmed the Second day of February 1698.

ORDERED that the Treasurer Demand of James Evetts & Thomas Clarke the Arrearage of Rent due for the Dock and that if they Refuse to pay the same by the first day of June Next Ensueing then to Reenter and take posession of ye Same.

ORDERED that the Treasurer doe Demand of Gerrett Duyckinck And Francis Gooderis the Money payable by them to the Citty for land Agreed to be sold unto them in Dock Street & that if they Refuse to

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pay the same forthwith to Reenter & take possession of the same & ORDERED also the same be Exposed to sale to yᵉ highest bidder.

The Petition of John Marsh for Liberty to Build A Mill att Copshee was read and Granted.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay twenty Shilings New Yorke Money to Gysbert Vaninburgh for 5 Beams for yᵉ Old Citty Hall.

[388] ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay twenty shilings to Isaac De Milt itt being for Worke done att the Block house.

The Petition of Mr Johannes Outman was read Desiring A Grant for the surplusage of land in Dock Street which is not yett Appropriated which Petition is Granted & ORDERED the surveyors make A Draft thereof & Assertaine the Surplusage & make Return thereof to the Next Common Council.

ORDERED that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Clock Mr Mesier And Mr Brasier be A Committee to Examine what Incroachments has been made on the Citty Commons & Highways by Green Moore and Cordaz And what Pretentions they have to the land on which they have built & the land they have Digged up And make Reporte thereof to the Next Common Council

Alderman Schuyler Alderman D: Riemer & Mr Jelleson doe Promise to pay to the Citty twelve pounds ℔ Annum for the Markett house att the bridge to be paid Quarterly & to Commence from the first Instant.

ORDERED the Clerke of this Citty Draw the Lease for the Demising the Dock & Slips of this Citty to Mr Phillip French According to the Articles.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of yᵉ Said Citty on Wensday the 14th day of August Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor

ESqrs Aldermen:
- Johannes D: Peyster
- Jacobus V: Cortlandt
- Brandt Schuyler
- ISaac D: Riemer
- Evert Beyvanke

Assistants:
- Peter Willemse
- Abraham Brasier
- Hendrick Jelleson
- Johannes Tiebout
- Samuell Bayard

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[389] The Treasurer Reports he Demanded of John Euwatse the Arrearage of Rent due for the ferry which the Said John Euwatse Refused to pay, & Also Refused to Execute his Counter parte of the Lease for the same and Also that he Ordered the Said John Euwatse to Remoue out of the Said house by the twenty fifth day of June last past.

The Treasurer Also Reports that he Demanded of Mr Rip Van dam to sign the Lease of the Ferry who Refused to Sign the Same.

The Treasurer also Reports that he was with Gerrett Duyckinck And Mrs Gooderns who are willing to Accept of their Grants for the Land in Dock Street and pay the Money for the same the Citty performing their Covenants.

Ordered that Mr Mayor Alderman D: Riemer Mr Jelleson & Mr Tiebout be A Committee to Cause the surveyors of this Citty in their presence to lay out their Respective Lotts lately Granted in Dock Street to the Inhabitants thereof and to make A draft of the same and Ascertaine the surplusage thereof.

Ordered that the Treasurer Demand of John Euwatse to Sign the Counter parte of the Lease of the ferry According to the Articles of Demise and make Reporte thereof forthwith to the Mayor. and that if the said John Euwatse doe Refuse to Sign the Same that the Mayor take such proper Methods to Eject the Said John Euwatse as the Law in such Case Provides and also that After the said John Euwatse is Ejected to Lett the Same to farme to Any Other person or persons but not for A less Rent then one hundred and sixty five pounds ℔ Annum and for No longer time then for Seaven Years.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay to Mr Emott the sum of thirty Shilings for A fee as Attorney for the City Agt John Euwatse Relating to the Lease of the ferry.

Ordered that if John Euwatse Refuses to Sign the Lease of ye Ferry that then the Treasurer goe with Mr Emott the Citty Councill to the [390] Ferry & Distrain for the Arrearage of Rent due from the Said John Euwatse to the Citty and make Reporte of their proceedings therein to the Next Common Council

Ordered that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty Continue in force till further Order.

Ordered that the Revenue of the ferry be Appropriated for the payment of Mr Peter Willemse & the Bellmen and to no Other use

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Untill they are paid and that the Treasurer pay the same Unto them in proportion to their debts.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Fryday the 16th day of Augt Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor

Johannes D Peyster
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Brandt Schuyler
ISaac D: Riemer
Evert Beyvanke
} ESqrs Aldermen

Samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse
Abraham Brasier
Hendrick Jelleson
Johannes Tiebout
Abraham Mesier
} Assistants.

The Committee Appointed to see the Lotts Measured in Dock Street which were lately Granted to the Inhabitants of ye Same doe Reporte that they Caused the same to be Measured in their presence And doe finde their is A surplusage of two foot and A halfe fronting to the said Street and to the water side three foot & A halfe or thereabouts between the houses of Mr Livingston & Mr Outman

Itt is the Opinion of the Majority of this Courte that the surplusage of Ground in the Dock Street above Mentioned does not belong to Mr Samuell Bayard but to the Citty & Order'd the same be disposed of to the highest bidder, &. Ordered that [391] Alderman D: Riemer Mr Willemse and Mr Tiebout be A Committee to Expose the same to sale by publick Vendue to the highest bidder.

John Euwatse the farmer of the ferry Appeared before this board And the Lease of the ferry being tender'd to him he Refused to Accept of or sign the same and also Refused to pay ye Arrearage of Rent due. Whereupon itt is Order'd that the Mayor or Treasurer Order the said John Euwatse to Remove from the Said ferry & ferry house by the twenty fifth day of September Next.

Order'd that the Grants for land in Dock Street to Mr Gerrett Duyckinck and Mr Francis Gooderns be the same breadth as in their former Grants is Mentioned.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Wensday the 18th day of September Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
David Provoost ESqr Deputy Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
ISaac D: Riemer
Martin Clock

Assistants:
Samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse
Abraham Brasier
Hendrick Jelleson
Johannes Tiebout
Abraham Mesier

This day personally Appeared before this board Nicholas Burger of this Citty Cooper And Agreed with this Courte to Release to John Rodman and to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever A Certaine piece of Ground in the Rear of the late Citty Hall which was Granted Unto him by this Citty the twenty third day of June 1690 as Appears by A Grant under the seale of the Said Citty on the Considerations hereafter Mentioned to say that the Citty Shall pay Unto the Said Nicholas Burger the sum of fifteen pounds Curr: Money of New Yorke And Grant A Release unto the Heirs of ISaac [392] Bedlow Deceased for the Lott of Ground lying in the broadway between the Ground of Coll Stephanus V: Cortlandt & the street leading to the Oyster pasty According to their Patent which this Courte doe Accordingly Agree to And Ordered the Clerke draw A Release & that the Mayor Execute the same accordingly.

Ordered that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman D: Riemer Mr Tiebout & Mr Brasier or any three of them be A Committee to make an Exchange of some land lying Near Inclaembergh with Henry Cordaz Vincent Delamontagne & Richard Moore, that they take Care that No Incroachment be made on the Highway and that they make Report of these proceedings herein to the Next Common Council.

The Committee for Selling the surplusage of Ground in Dock Street doe Reporte that they have Sold the same to Mr Johannes Outman for the sum of Seaventeen pounds Currant Money of New Yorke and that the same is two foot & A halfe in breadth fronting to the Dock Street & Runs down to the wharfe fronting to the East River three foot and A halfe or thereabouts And is bounded on the West by the

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house and Ground of the Sd Johannes Outman And on the East by the Ground of the Widdow Griggs & Ordered the Mayor Execute A Grant Accordingly.

The Auditors of the publick Accts Return'd the Acct of Johannes D: Peyster ESqr late Mayor of this Citty Examined & Audited and Allow thereof by which their is due to Ballance to the Sd Johannes D: Peyster the sum of two pounds Nine Shilings Curr! Money of New Yorke which is Approved & Ordered the Mayor Issue his Warr! to the Treasurer to pay the same.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue A Warrant to the Treasurer of this Citty to pay to Mr Peter Willemse Roome the sum of twelve pounds One shiling and Six pence Curr! Money of New Yorke itt being for Severall Disburstments by him made for the Citty house att the ferry as Appears by his Accts

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Johannes Provoost or Order the sum of four pounds Nine shilings & four pence itt being for Maintaining the poor of the south Ward for the Years 1690-1691 as Appears by his Acct

[393] ORDERED that the Mayor Issue Warrants to the Treasurer to pay to Capt David Provoost & Capt Johannes D: Peyster Each the sum of Seaven pounds Curr! Money of New Yorke itt being for serving as Representatives of this Citty from the *the* twentieth day of July last to the Ninth of Augt following being fourteen days Sundays deducted.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Thursday the 19th day of September Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
David Provoost ESqr Deputy Recordr
Johannes D: Peyster
ISaac D: Riemer } ESqrs Aldermen
Martin Clock
Peter Willemse
Hendrick Jelleson
Johannes Tiebout } Assistants
Abraham Brasier
Abraham Mesier

This Courte are of Opinion that they have Lawfull Authority to lay an Imposition Upon all flower Imported into this Citty towards the defraying the publick and Nessessary charge of the Same And itt

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is hereby ORDERED that from and After the *the* first day of October Next Ensueing the Date hereof of all flower Whatsoever that shall be Imported into the said Citty of New Yorke from any place Whatsoever Shall pay to the Mayor Aldermen & Commonality of the Said Citty (to be Imployed for the Defraying the publick & Nessessary Charge of the Said Citty) the sum of three Shilings for each halfe Barrell of flower that Shall be Soe Imported into the said Citty And soe in proportion for A Greater or lesser Quantity & also for all hard bread twelve pence for Each hundred weight that Shall be Imported into the Said Citty And soe in proportion for [394] A greater or lesser Quantity and ORDERED that the Clerke Send A Copy of this Minute to the Recorder by the first Opportunity and ORDERED the Recorder Draw A Law for the putting this Minute in Effectual Execution with all Convenient Speed.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Enoch Hill or Order the sum of Seaven pounds ten Shilings Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke in full of Nine Months sallary due the fourteenth of October Next.

The Petition of John Marsh was Read praying leave to build A Mill On flowing Island Near Hell Gate ORDERED that he have Liberty to build the said Mill on the said Island Provided the same belong to the Citty

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Tuesday y^{e} 24th day of September Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESq^{r} Mayor
David Provoost ESq^{r} Deputy Recorder

ESq^{rs} Aldermen:
ISaac D: Riemer
Martin Clock
Evert Beyvanke

Assistants:
Peter Willemse
Abraham Brasier
Johannes Tiebout
Abraham Mesier
Hendrick Jelleson

ORDERED that the East side of the Street which Runs from the North side of the Citty Hall to Coll Dongans Garden be Esteemed to

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be parte of the East Ward of this Citty and that the West Side of the said Street Remaine as formerly.

ORDERED that the Neig[h]bourhood that live Adjacent to the Kings farme and have benefit of the publick Well there built, doe [395] Contribute to the Charge thereof in proportion or Else that they be Debarred from Drawing water there

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Michael Hawdon Such sum of Money as was Expended in liquors in Making his Majesties forces drinke on their Arrival here from England for the Security & Defence of this Province.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Scavenger of this Citty such sum of Money as Remains due to him for that service.

ORDERED that Alderman D: Riemer Alderman D Peyster Mr Tiebout and Mr Brasier or any three of them be A Committee to Audite the Accounts of Peter Delanoy ESqr Deceased & make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

ORDERED that all such persons as have Dug holes in the Citty Commons on the South Side of the fresh water be forthwith ORDERED to fill up the same, & that if they Refuse So to doe that they be bound Over to the sessions for Nusance & that the Mayor Order his Marshall to Give them Notice Thereof Accordingly

ORDERED that Alderman Beyvanke Mr Tiebout and Mr Mesier be A Committee to Adjust what Jasper Nessepott Shall pay to John Marsh for his Projection Contrivance and worke done on the Mill att Kings bridge and make Reporte with all Convenient Expedition and itt is Also ORDERED that if the Said Jasper Nessepott Shall Comply with and fullfill the Award or Reporte of the said Committee that then the Said Mill will be Granted unto the Said Jasper Nessepott & to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever.

The following Ordinance was three times Read and Approved and ORDERED forthwith to be published & Accordingly the Same was published after the Ringing of three Bells & ORDERED the same be forthwith printed.

[396] AN ORDINANCE Established by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the Citty of New Yorke Convened in Common Council for the laying the duty and Import of three Shilings Upon each

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halfe Barrell of Flower and twelve pence Upon each hundred weight of Biskett which Shall be Imported within the Citty of New Yorke After the first of October Next

WHEREAS the Publick and Nessessary Charge of the Citty of New Yorke does dayly Encrease and Many of the publick and Nessessary buildings thereof are not Yett built and finished itt being found very Grievous and Inconvenient to the Inhabitants of the Said Citty, that such Moneys which may be Needfull for the Accomplishing of the Said Nessessary works Should be Levyed by Taxes ESpecially when the Inhabitan[ts] of the said Citty have been Lately Very much Impoverished by means of the Great Quantities of Flower and Biskett that hath been made in the Country and brought into this Citty without paying or Contributing any thing to the publick Charge of the said Citty att the same time the Owner or Importer of the said Flower or Biskett have had & Enjoyed all the profitts Benefitts and Advantages of the Markett of the said Citty. To the End therefore that the Inhabitants of the said Citty may in some Measure be Eased of their great Burdens and those Other who in A larger Measure doe partake of the profitts Benefitts & Advantages of the Markett of the Said Citty may for such their great Gain Contribute And pay in some Reasonable proportion some what of the Nessessary Charge of the Said Citty. Be itt therefore Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the said Citty Convened in Common Council and itt is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same That all flower and Biskett that Shall be Bolted and Made without this Citty of New Yorke and Liberties and Imported & brought into the same from and After the first day of October Next Shall pay the duty and Impost hereafter Mentioned that is to Say the sum of three shilings Curr! Money of New Yorke for Each halfe Barrell of flower And the sum of One shiling Current Money aforesaid for each hundred weight of Biskett which Shall be Bolted & Made And Imported and brought into the Said Citty in Manner Aforesaid or that Shall be put on board any Vessell or Vessells that Shall be Riding in the Roade or Harbour of the Said Citty of New Yorke to be Imployed for the Uses Aforesaid. AND for the more Orderly [397] Collecting of the duties and Impost Aforesaid be itt further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that the Mayor of the Said Citty for the time being Shall under the seale of the said Citty Appoint & Commissionate One good and sufficient Cittizen of the said Citty for to Collect & Receive the Said Duty and Impost. Who Shall attend the Receiving of the same att some suitable and Convenient place within the said Citty att the hours and times of the day that the

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officers who Receive his Majesties Revenue doe Usually Keep and Observe. and all person or persons who Shall after the first day of October Next Import or bring any flower or Biskett bolted or made in Manner Aforesaid into this Citty Shall before he or they Land or put aboard of any Vessell as Aforesaid any of the Aforesaid Flower or Biskett make Report of Such Quantity and Quantities of flower and Biskett as they Shall So Import or bring unto Such person or persons as Shall be Appointed and Commissionated as Aforesaid and to them pay the duty and Impost of three Shilings for Each halfe Barrell of Flower and One shiling for each hundred weight of Biskett And Soe in proportion for A Greater or Lesser Quantity before he or they Shall Land or Ship the same within the Said Citty. And if Any person or persons Shall presume to Import any Flower and Biskett and Land or Ship the same Upon Any Ship or Vessell within this Harbour before he or they Shall make such Reporte and pay the Duty and Impost Aforesaid then and in such Case all Such Flower and Biskett that Shall be soe Imported landed & Shiped without Reporte and paying the duty and Impost Aforesaid Shall be forfeited One halfe to the Informer and the Other halfe to the Citty for the uses Aforesaid to be sued and Recouvered in any Courte of Record within the said Citty by Bill Plaint or Information Dated att the Citty Hall the twenty fourth day of September in the twelfth Year of his Majesties Reign Annoq Dom̄ 1700

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on sunday the 29th day of Sepbr Anno Dom̄ 1700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
David Provoost ESqr Deputy Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
ISaac d: Riemer
Evert Beyvanke
Martin Clock

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Assistants.
Samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse
Abraham Brasier
Johannes Tiebout
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Abraham Mesier

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Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to y^e^ Aldermen of Each Respective Ward of this Citty for the Electing this day one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one petty Constable in each Respective Ward of the Said Citty and two Constables for the Outward and Overseers of the Highways for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Outward of the said Citty to serve in their Respective Offices for the Year Ensueing According to the usage Custom Laws and Ordinances of this Citty and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof att twelve of the Clock in the forenoon to the Office of Town Clerke under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenure of the Aforesaid war^tts^ as followeth (Viz^t^)

Dock Ward	Jacobus V: Cortlandt	Alderman
	Samuell Bayard	Assistant
	Thomas Burroughs	Assessors
	John Vanhorne	
	John Outman	Collector
	Abraham Metslaer	Constable
South Ward	Nicholas Rosevelt	Alderman
	Hendrick Jelleson	Assistants
	Stephen Richard	Assessors
	William Jackson	
	Direck Hoghlandt	Collector
	Jacobus Berry	Constable
West Ward	David Provoost Jun^r^	Alderman
	Peter Willemse Roome	Assistant
	Peter White	Assessors
	John Delamontagne	
	Renier Reyeau sen^r^	Collector
	Conradus Vanderbeeck	Constable
[399] East Ward	Johannes D: Peyster	Alderman
	Abraham Brazier	Assistant
	Olphert Suert	Assessors
	Clem Elsworth	
	ISaac Stoutenburgh	Collector
	William Anderson	Constable

Mem̄. Will Shakerly is Sworne his deputy

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North Ward	Evert Beyvanke	Alderman
	Gerrett Onclebag	Assistant
	Albertus Ringe, Jacob Nordstrand	Assessors
	Bernardus Hardenbrooke	Collector
	Teunis Quick	Constable

Out Ward	Martin Clock	Alderman
	Abraham Mesier	Assistant
	Wolfert Webber	Assessor of the Bowry
	Ide Tunese	Collector of the Bowry
	Renier Quackebos	Constable
	Johannes Tomase, Egbert Heerman	Surveyors of the Highways
	Arent Harmense	Assessor for Harlem
	Marcus Tiebout	Collector for Harlem
	samson Benson	Constable for Harlem
	Peter Oblinis, Lawrence Janse, ISaac Turneur	Overseers of Harlem.

Ordered the Clerke of this Courte Waite vpon his Excellency the Earle of Bellomont Capt Genll and Governour in Chiefe of this Province and Acquaint him that this is the Anniversary day of the Nomination of the New Mayor and sherriff of this Citty & pray his Lordship will Name the same pursuant to the directions of the Charter of this Citty And Accordingly the Clerke Reported from his Lordship that his Lordship in Council had Named ISaac D: Riemer ESqr to be Mayor of the Citty *of the Citty* of New Yorke and Peter De Milt to be High Sheriff of the said Citty and County for the Year Ensueing.

Alderman Evert Beyvanke ESqr is by this Courte Elected Treasurer of this Citty for the Year Ensueing.

[400] The Mayor is pleased to Appoint Lawrence Vanhooke Hight Constable of this Citty for the Year Ensueing

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the fourteenth day of October Anno Dom 1700

Present David Provoost ESqr Mayor
David Provoost ESqr Deputy Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
ISaac D: Riemer
Martin Clock
Evert Beyvanke

Assistants:
Evert Beyvanke
Peter Willemse
Abraham Brasier
Hendrick Jellesen
Abraham Mesier

This day Mr Mayor Attended by Capt Isaac D: Riemer the Mayor Elect And the Alderman Sheriff Assistants High Constables petty Constables Assessors Collectors and Other Officers as well those in office as those Elect According to the usage practice and Custom of the said Citty waited Upon his Excellency the Earle of Bellomont Capt Genll and Gouvernour in Chiefe of the Province of New Yorke &c: in Council where the Mayor and Sheriff Elect had the Oaths Administred unto them Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy and subscribed the Test and Association and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Received their Commissions Accordingly from thence the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid went to Trinity Church where the Rector thereof Mr William Veazy preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion which Ended they Returned to the Citty Hall where the Commissions of the New Mayor and Sheriff After the Ringing of three Bells were published upon which the New Mayor Assumed the Chair & Received the Charter and seals from the Old Mayor and then Caused the Oaths Appointed as Aforesaid to be Administred to the Respective Aldermen and Assistants who Subscribed the Test and Association and were Sworne to the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Accordingly tooke their places The High Constable & Petty Constables were also all Sworne Except the Constable of the Each Ward who did Not Appear.

[401] The Overseers of Harlem were also Sworne duly and Impartially to Execute the said Office.

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ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Saturday the 26th day of October Anno Dom 1700

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouveneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
Martin Clock
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt
} ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Brasier
samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse Roome
Hendrick Jellesen
Gerrett Onclebag
Abraham Mesier
} Assistants

This day his Excellency Richard Earle of Bellomont in Council Commissionated Abraham Gouveneur ESqr Recorder of this Citty Under the Great seale of the Province which was read & ORDERED the same be Recorded & Accordingly he tooke his place.

RECORDERS COMMISSION

WILLIAM the third by the Grace of God King of England Scotland France and Ireland Defender of the faith &c: Greeting Wee Reposing ESpeciall Trust and Confidence in the Learning fidelity Prudence Circumspection and Loyalty of Our Trusty and Well beloved Abraham Gouverneur ESqr of our ESpeciall Grace Certaine Knowledge and Meer motion have Giuen and Granted and by these presents doe Give & Grant unto the said Abraham Gouverneur ESqr the office [402] of Recorder of our Citty of New Yorke in America And him the Said Abraham Gouvernour ESqr Recorder of New Yorke in America Wee doe Name Make Create and Ordain by these presents To HAVE HOLD Exercise and Enjoy the said Office of Recorder of Our Citty of New Yorke in America unto him the said Abraham Gouverneur ESqr During our pleasure. And further wee have Given and Granted and by these presents doe Give and Grant Unto the said Abraham Gouverneur all and singular such And the like fees Rights Powers Preheminences perquisitts profitts and Advantages for and in Respect of the Execution of the said Office as any Recorder of Our Citty of New Yorke heretofore have of Right taken Received or Enjoyed for the Exercise of the said Office To HAVE Receive perceive & Enjoy the same unto the said Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Accord-

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ing to the true Intent and Meaning of these our Letters Patents. WITNESS Our Right Trusty and Right Well beloved Cozin Richard Earle of Bellomont Cap! Gen" and Gouvernour in Chiefe of our Province of New Yorke and Territories Depending thereon in America in Council att New Yorke this five and twentieth day of October in the twelfth Year of our Reign Annoq Dom 1700

M: Clarkson Secry. Recorded in the Secretarys Office of the Province of New Yorke in lib No. B. begun 1684 in pag 603 604 & M Clarkson Secry.

ORDERED that an Ordinance of this Citty Intituled An Ordinance for the Laying the Duty and Impost of three shilings Upon each halfe Barrell of Flower & twelve pence upon each hundred weight of Biskett which Shall be Imported within the Citty of New Yorke After the first day of October Next be Repealed Vacated and made Null and Voide and the same is hereby Repealed Vacated and made Null and Voide to all Intents Constructions and purposes Whatsoever as if the same had Never been made or Ordained Any thing therein Contained to the Contrary hereof in Any wise Notwithstanding.

ORDERED that the Recorder draw an Address to the Assembly of this Province praying that they will Enact that the ferry house [403] Of this Citty on Nassaw Island be Excise free. that they will Lay some Imposition on Flower and bread Imported into this Citty or Give some Other fund to this Corporation to Defray the publick and Nessessary Charge thereof.

That No Person living att the Ferry doe Transport any goods Whatsoever to or from this Citty to Nassaw Island unless their Own produce or for their Own use without paying ferriage Under A Penalty & also to add such Other things therein as he shall Judge Needfull for the Citty and that the Mayor sign the same and present itt to the Assembly on Munday Next.

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William sharpas Eleaven pounds four Shilings Curr! Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe Years sallary as Clerke of this Citty due the fourteenth Instant & for pen Ink and paper for one Year due the same time.

ORDERED that they Mayor Appoint A Constables Watch to Consist of A Constable and twelve Able men to be the Watch of this Citty to take Care to Keep and Preserve the peace &c: And that the Constables of Each Respective Ward doe take their Turns and that the High Constable take Care the said Watch be duely sett and kept And that the Mayor Provide fire wood for the same.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Saturday the Second day of November Anno Dom 1700

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Johannes D: Peyster
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt
} ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Brasier
Peter Willemse
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebagh
Abraham Mesier
} Assistants

[404] This Courte are of Opinion that Alderman D: Peyster of Right is Eldest Alderman he having been Mayor of this Citty before Alderman Provoost & that he be the first Named in the Commission of the peace after the Mayor & Recorder Capt. Provoost the second & the Rest According to the Seigniority of their Offices.

Ordered the Mayor Provide firewood for Bonfires in the fourth and fifth days of this Instant Month of November being the birth day of Our sovereign Lord King William & Gun powder Treason.

Order'd that the Recorder (Calling such to his Assistance as he Shall think fitt) Examine into the Laws Orders & Ordinances of this Citty and make Reporte of such of them as will be Needfull to be Continued and of such as Ought to be Repealed and also to Reporte to this Courte by the first Conveniency wt Laws are Nessessary to be made and Added to the same for the better Rule and Government of the Inhabitants thereof.

Whereas John Euwatse the farmer of the ferry of this Citty hath Refused and Still doth Refuse to pay the Arrearage of Rent due from him to the Citty for the said Ferry and also Refuseth to Give the Citty posession thereof whereby the Citty Are Defrauded of their Right to the great Grieviance of the Inhabitants of this Citty. Itt is therefore

Ordered that the Mayor fee Council for the Citty for the sueing att Law the said John Euwatse for the Sd Rent and also to Eject him from the same and make Reporte of his proceedings herein to the Next Common Council.

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ORDERED That for the future this Courte of Common Council doe sitt att the Citty Hall the last saturday in Every Month in Order to hear any publick business that may be brought before them.

[405] ORDERED That the Mayor Issue his Warrant to y^e^ Treasurer to pay to the Reverend M^r^ William Vezey the sum of five pounds for preaching A sermon before this Courte on the fourteenth of October Last.

ORDERED That the Mayor Provide for the Marshall of this Citty A Coate Breeches Hatt Stockings & Shoes of the Citty Livery and that he Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment thereof.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Thursday the 7^th^ day of November Anno Dom 1700

Present ISaac D Riemer ESq^r^ Mayor
Abraham Gouveneur ESq^r^ Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost } ESq^rs^ Aldermen
Evert Beyvanke
Abraham Brasier
samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse } Assistants
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag

RESOLVED that A Certaine piece of Land lying Near the land of M^r^ William Beeckman and that M^r^ sydenham att the Bowry And also Another piece of Land lying on the North side of the Land of Teunis Ides And also Another piece of Land Lying Near Henry Cordaz by Inclaomberg be Exposed to sale for the paying the Debts due for the building the New Citty Hall & the ferry house And for the Defraying Other publick and Nessessary Charges of this Citty and Ordered that Alderman Provoost Alderman D: Peyster M^r^ Brasier and M^r^ Onclebag or any three of them be A Committee to goe View the said parcells of Land and to Call to their Assistance the surveyor Gen^ll^ or whome Else that they Shall think fitt and [406] survey the same and make A Draft and Ascertaine the Quantities and boundaries thereof in Order the same be Exposed to sale Accordingly and make Reporte thereof by the first Conveniency.

ORDERED that the Recorder Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Rosevelt M^r^ Bayard & M^r^ Onclebag or any three of them be A Committee to

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Audite the Treasurers Bookes and all the publick Accounts of the Citty & Reporte to this Courte what the Citty is Indebted in Order some Measures be taken for the payment of the same and make Reporte there of by the first Convenient Opportunity

ORDERED That all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty which now are or were lately in force within the same be & are hereby Continued in full force till further Order.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the Eleaventh day of Novbr 1700

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESqrs Aldermen
samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse Roome
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag } Assistants.

John Euwatse the farmer of the ferry hath Acquainted some Members of this Courte that he hath sustained Considerable Damage by Not being Maintained in his Right to the ferry and that he is willing to pay the Citty the Rent due for the same Provided he be Allowed such Damage as he has Sustained by the Neglect of [407] The Citty And that he will Remove from the ferry the twenty fifth day of March Next Ensueing and Consenteth that all Differences between him and the Citty be decided by Arbitration that he will Choose two Indifferent persons & the Citty two Also to be Arbitrators of the Difference Aforesaid that if they Cannot Agree the said four Arbitrators Shall Choose An Umpire who Shall finally Determine the same which this Courte doe Accordingly Agree to Provided he Enter into Bonds of Arbitration of five hundred pounds to Abide & fullfill their Award and that Neither Mr Rip Van dam or any Attorney be any of the Arbitrators & ORDERED the Mayor fee Council for the Citty & Execute Bonds of Arbitracon Accordingly.

RESOLVED that samuell Staats and Robert Walters ESqrs be Arbitrators for the Citty to Determine the Difference between them and John Euwatse.

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ORDERED the Mayor Give publick Notice to all persons that a powder house is to be built within this Citty by the first day of May Next Ensueing That Ground Shall be Leased by the Citty to any person that will undertake to build the same att his own Charge for the Terme of years and that the builder and Farmer thereof Shall Receive two Shilings and three pence for each Barrell of Powder and soe in proportion for A greater or Lesser quantity that Any powder that shall be Lodged in the powder house more then a Year Shall pay for Every Year itt there Stays two Shilings and three pence for each Barrell and soe in proportion for A Greater or Lesser Quantity. That the said house Shall be built of good Stone & Timber And Shall be fourty foot long and twenty foot wide and two Stories High And shall have A good fence Inclosing the same which powder house fence and Appurtenances the farmer Shall Deliver up to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke for the time being in good & sufficient Repair att the Expiration of the said Lease and that No person within this Citty Shall Keep in their houses or Warehouses More powder att any time then fifty pounds on penalty of ten shilings for Each offence & that the farmer of the said powder house Shall have the Benefitt [408] Of all such Fines and the Stones which are not used for the building of the Citty Hall the farmer Shall have towards the building the same.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Saturday the 30th day of November Anno Dom 1700

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt
} ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Brasier
Peter Willemse
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag
Abraham Mesier
} Assistants.

ORDERED that Alderman Provoost Mr Brasier and Mr Mesier be A Committee to Lett to farme A Certaine piece of Swamp Ground unto Henry Cordaz lying Near Inclaomberg and which Contains One Acre and A small Quantity more as Appears by A Draft thereof. on such

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Terms as the said Committee shall think fitt Provided the said Lease Exceed Not twenty five Years & that the Mayor Execute A Lease Accordingly.

THE Committee Appointed to make A Draft of the Land on the North side of Teunis Ides have Accordingly Surveyed the same & have Returned A Draft thereof which Contains two hundred Acres or thereabouts. Whereupon itt is ORDERED that the said piece of Ground be sold by publick sale or Vendue to the highest bidder on the twenty first day of December Next Ensueing and the Money thereof to be Imployed towards paying the Debts of the New Citty Hall That the one halfe of the purchase Money Shall be paid on the Delivery of the Conveyance of the said Land and the Other halfe in One Year Afterwards. And ORDERED that the Mayor Recorder Alderman Rosevelt and Mr Jelleson be A Committee for selling the same. and that the Mayor Execute A Grant Accordingly.

[409] The Mayor Informed this Courte that the Arbitrators Elected for the Citty to Decide the Difference between the Citty & John Euwatse Relating to the ferry will not serve in that station whereby the said difference is not brought to A period. Wherevpon the said John Euwatse personally Appeared before this Courte & Offered forthwith to pay to the same the sum of fifty pounds Curr! Money of New Yorke and fourty pounds more like Money On the twenty fifth day of March Next Ensueing in full Consideration of all Rent due from him for the Rent of the ferry of this Citty untill the twenty fifth day of March Next Ensueing & then will Deliver up to the Mayor Aldermen And Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke or their Assigns the said ferry house and ferry with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging & will Release the Citty of New Yorke from all Debts Dues and Demands Whatsoever for or by any Cause matter or thing Whatsoever and in Witness hereof the said John Euwatse hath hereunto put his hand the 30th Novbr 1700 John Ewetse.

ORDERED That Alderman Beyvanke Alderman Rosevelt Mr Onclebag and Mr Willemse be A Committee to Audite the Bookes and Accompts of the Late Treasurer and all Other publick Accompts belonging or Relating to the Citty and make Reporte of their proceedings with all Convenient Expedition.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Provoost the sum of three pounds fifteen Shilings & Six pence New Yorke Money itt being Money paid the surveyor Genll and Money by him disbursted on Other Occasions on the surveying the land on the North of Teunis Ides.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the third day of December Anno Dom̄ 1700

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D Peyster
David Provoost
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt

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Assistants:
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brazier
Abraham Mesier
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag

ORDERED that the Assize of bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt)

A White loafe of the finest flower ten Ounces for three halfe pence

A Wheaten Loafe the Coursest bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh two pounds and A halfe for four pence halfe penny Wheat being att five Shilings and Eight pence ℔ Bushell. and ORDER'D that all Bakers within this Citty doe take Notice thereof and bake their bread Accordingly.

The Committee Appointed to Lease A Certaine piece of Ground lying Near Inclaombergh unto Henry Cordaz doe Reporte that they have Leased the same unto the said Henry Cordaz for the Terme of twenty five Years on the Conditions following to say that the said Henry Cordaz Shall pay to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke the sum of fifteen pounds Currt Money of New Yorke on or before the first day of May Next Ensueing that the said Henry Cordaz Shall Inclose the same with A good sufficient fence and shall Keep the same well fenced During the said Lease and att the Expiration of the same Shall Surrender and deliver up the said piece of Ground and fence unto the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke for the time being which Reporte is by this Courte Approved and ORDERED the Mayor Execute A Lease for the same Accordingly. That the Money thereof Shall be Imployed to the finishing the New Citty Hall & to no Other use Whatsoever. That the said Henry Cordaz is to make A Ditch or Drain to Keep the said piece of Ground free from Water.

The Petition of Richard Sackett was read praying A Grant to Low

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water Marke for the Ground fronting the house and land where he now lives ORDERED that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Provoost Mr Brazier or any two of them be a Committee to Examine the Allegations of the Petitioner and Ascertaine the Quantity of Ground desired by him and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

[411] The Petition of Richard More was read praying A Grant for some Land Near the place where he now dwelleth in the Bowry Division which was Rejected and ORDERED that the said Richard Moore doe Desist from Digging Any more holes in ye Commons And that he fill up those he has Already made or Else that he be sued for a Trespass.

The Petition of Vincent Delamontagne praying A Grant for the same Ground was also read & Rejected

ORDERED that Alderman Provoost Alderman Rosevelt Mr Willemse and Mr Mesier or any three of them be A Committee to Adjust what Jasper Nessepott Shall pay to John Marsh for his Projection contrivance and worke done on the Mill att Kings bridge and make Reporte with all Convenient Expedition and itt is Also ORDERED that if the said Jasper Nessepott Shall Comply with & fullfill the Award or Reporte of the said Committee that then the said Mill be Granted to the said Jasper Nessepott & to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever.

The Petition of Peter Janse Mesier was read praying A Grant to Low water marke from High water Marke fronting his Purchase to Hudsons River ORDERED that Notice thereof be Given to Mr William Nicoll to Appear before this Courte the next Common Council to make his Objections Agt passing the said Grant (if Any he have) he having Entred a Caveat Agt the passing the same.

ORDERED That the ferry Between this Citty and Nassaw Island be Lett to farme for the Terme of seaven years together with the New Brick house Barne and horse pen on the twenty seaventh day of this Instant Month of December att the house of Mr Gabriell Tomson within this Citty to the highest bidder And that Publick Notice be Given thereof forthwith.

The Mayor ISaac D: Riemer ESqr proposed to the Common Council to hire the litle house belonging to this Citty att the ferry on Nassaw Island Next to the brick house for such Terme as the Common Council Should think fitt the which being Considered itt [412] Was Agreed by the Common Council that the said Litle house Next to the brick house belonging to this Citty on the said Nassaw Island be Lett to the said ISaac D: Riemer ESqr his Heirs or Assigns for the time and Terme of Seaven Years Commencing from the twenty fifth day of

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March Next Ensueing the Date hereof he or they paying the sum of twenty pounds Curr[t] Money of this Province Yearly Every Year for the same During the Terme And time Aforesaid in four Quarterly payments Each Year and that the Recorder sign the Lease for the same. And also A Small Slip of Ground lying on the south side of the same Joyning to the said house Ranging from the house towards John Aersons.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday y[e] 24[th] day of December Anno Dom 1700

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq[r] Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESq[r] Recorder
David Provoost
Martin Clock
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESq[rs] Aldermen
Abraham Brasier
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebagh } Assistants

The Committee Appointed to sell the Land to the North of Teunis Ides doe Reporte that According to the Order of this Courte to them Directed Dated the 21[th] day of this Instant Month of December by publick Vendue they did sell the same unto John Miseroll Junr of Buswick on Long Island Yeoman for the sum of two hundred & sixteen pounds Curr[t] Money of New Yorke he being the highest bidder And that if the Said Land Measures more than two hundred Acres the said John Miseroll is to pay in proportion for the surplusage above two hundred Acres According to what he pays for two hundred Acres and if the same Measures less Abatement to be made in like Manner That one halfe of the said Money is to be paid in fourteen days Next after the said day of sale and the Remainder In one year After which Reporte is Approved by this Courte.

[413] Ordered that M[r] Mayor Alderman Provoost Alderman Clock And M[r] Jelleson be A Committee to Examine the Records of this Province and take from thence Abstracts of the Land Now in the possession of Teunis Ides & Metie Cornelis and also that they Cause the Land Lately Sold to John Miseroll to be Exactly Surveyed and the Quantity and Buttings & boundaries distinctly Assertained That the Mayor Execute A Grant for the same and Cause Possession thereof to be Delivered to the said John Miseroll or Assigns Accordingly.

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ORDERED that all the Charges of the sale and Surveys of the said Land be Defrayed out of this first payment of the Money for the same And that this Order be A sufficient Warrant to the Treasurer for soe doing.

ORDERED that the Courte of Common Council Meet att the house of Capt Gabriel Tomson on fryday Next precisely att two of the Clock in the Afternoon for the Leasing the ferry of this Citty & that this Courte doe not Sett on the saturday following According to former Order.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on fryday the 27th day of December Anno Dom 1700

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Alderman:
- Johannes D: Peyster
- David Provoost
- Nicholas Rosevelt
- Evert Beyvanke
- Martin Clock

Assistants:
- Peter Willemse Roome
- Samuell Bayard
- Abraham Brasier
- Hendrick Jelleson
- Abraham Mesier
- Gerrett Onclebag

The Petition of Vincent Delamontagne was read praying A Grant for A Certaine piece of Swamp land lying in the Commons of this Citty between the Land lately Leased to Henry Cordaz and francises [414] Whereupon itt is ORDERED that Alderman Clock Alderman Rosevelt & Mr Jelleson be A Committee to Cause the said Land to be surveyed and the Quantity and boundaries thereof Ascertained and also are hereby Authorized to Demise the Same to the said Vincent Delamontagne Not Exceeding the terme of twenty five Years on such Conditions as they Shall think fitt and that the Mayor Execute A Lease Accordingly.

The Committee Appointed to Ascertaine the Demensions of the Ground Desired by Richard Sackett Reporte he Desires the length Along the Strand twenty Six Rodd. Resolved by this Courte that the said Land be not sold.

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ORDERED Mr Mayor Alderman D: Peyster Mr Onclebag & Mr Willemse or any three of them be A Committee to Demise the ferry this Afternoon According to former Order on the Conditions following (Viz:)

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CONDITIONS for farming the ferry of the Citty of New Yorke with the New Brick house Barne and Pen thereunto belonging. for the Terme of Seaven Years to Commence from the 25th day of March Next Ensueing the Date hereof

Imp That the farmer shall be Obliged within Eight days Next Ensueing the Date hereof to Execute his Counter parte of the Lease And to Give Bond with such sufficient surety as the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the said Citty Shall Judge Needfull for the true performance of Each Respective Covenant Contained in the said Lease.

2d THAT the farmer thereof Shall be Obliged to pay the Rent of the Ferry Ferry house &c: unto the Treasurer of the Citty of New Yorke for the time being by four Even Quarterly payments in Every Year Curr: Money of this Province.

3d That the said Farmer Shall Provide and Maintaine two great Boats or Scows for the Carrying and Transporting of Cattle Corne &c: and two small Boats Sufficient for the Carrying of Passengers [415] And that the Great and Small Boats one of each be Kept on each side of the River and the Small Boats to be Constantly Going to & from and Not both to Remaine on the same side of the River att Any time and Also to Keep good and able men to Row in the same Boats who shall Give their Constant Attendance and be Ready att all times According to former Custom.

4th That the Said Farmer Shall Keep and Maintaine one sufficient pound for the security of Cattle to be Transported to and from the Citty of New Yorke and when Delivered att the ferry to take Charge thereof and to finde all Ropes and other Nessessaries for the Keeping them there and for their Transportation. Likewise all Corne brought into the ferry Boate to be landed within the Dock of the Citty of New Yorke or some of the Slips or Burgers path.

5th That the said Farmer in the said house Shall Keep A publick house of Entertainment in Order that Strangers & Travellers & their horses may have good Accommodation att Reasonable Rates During the Terme of the said Lease.

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6th That the Farmer During the said Lease Shall Keep the Said house Barne Well and bridge to Land on in good & Sufficient Repair During the said Lease and att the Expiration of the same the said house Barne Well and Landing Bridge soe well and sufficiently Kept Maintained Repaired & Amended Shall Surrender and Yield up to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke for the time being

7th That if the said Farmer make Default of any of the Quarterly payments to be made or in fourteen days after then itt shall and may be Lawfull for the said Mayor Aldermen & Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke the Demised premisses to Reenter and Possession thereof to take and to farme Lett by Publick Outcry in as full and Ample manner as if the same had not been Afore Demised.

[416] 8th That if the said Farmer Shall Neglect to Give such security as is before in these Conditions Mentioned that then the said Ferry Shall be Again Demised and if farmed for less then first Agreed on the said first farmer is to make good and pay for the loss with all Charges and Expences and if the same be farmed for more he is to have No Benefitt thereby.

9th That the Said Farmer Shall not Impose or take any Other Rates or Prices for ferriage then what are hereafter Mentioned (Viz:)

Evry Single person to pay for going Over Eight Stivers in Wampum or A Silver two pence.

Each person in Company four Stivers in Wampun or A Silver penny if after Sunsett Double ferriage

Each horse or Beast Single One Shiling in Company Nine pence

Each Colt or Calfe three pence

Each hog Eight Stivers in Wampum or A silver two pence.

Each Sheep four Stivers Wampum or A silver penny.

Each Barrell of Rum, Sugar, Malasses, Oyle, Porke &c: three pence.

Each Empty Barrell four Stivers Wampum or A silver penny

A Beasts hide the like.

A Firkin or Tubb of Butter two Stivers Wampum

Every Three Bushells of Corne A Silver penny or four Stivers Wampum

A Pale of Butter two Stivers

Every Bushell of Salt two Stivers

Every hogshead of Tobacco Nine pence.

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The before Mentioned Rates to be paid by all Passengers att their going into the ferry Boate and for all Cattle horses and Other goods or things when the ferry man Receives the same into his Boate in silver or Wampum

And upon the before Mentioned Conditions the said Ferry New Ferry house Barne &c: to be Demised for the Terme Aforesaid to the highest bidder and Accordingly the same was Demised unto Direck Benson of the Citty of New Yorke Boateman for the sum of One hundred and fourty five pounds Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke upon the Conditions before Mentioned he being the highest bidder

[417] I Underwritten Direck Benson doe hereby Acknowledge to have farmed the before Mentioned premisses upon the Conditions Above Mentioned for the sum of One hundred and fourty five pounds ℔ Annum Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke as Witness my hand the day and Year first above written Dirck Bensen

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the 20th day of January Anno Dom 1700[-1]

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq^{r} Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESq^{r} Recorder
Martin Clock
Evert Beyvanke } ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Nicholas Rosevelt
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brasier
Abraham Mesier } Assistants
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag

Ordered that Direck Bensen the farmer of the ferry of this Citty Give Bond with sureties in the sum of five hundred pounds Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke for the true performance of each Respective Covenant Contained in the Lease of the said Ferry.

The Mayor Acquainted this Courte that According to the Conditions for the farming of the ferry between this Citty and Nassaw Island &c: he Accordingly Executed A Lease for the same On the third day of January Instant and Accordingly Demanded of Direck Benson The Farmer of the said Ferry to Execute the Counter parte of the Said Lease & to Give Bond with sureties for performance of Covenants all which the said Direck Benson Refused to doe Saying he

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would haue the old house Also or to that Effect that the Mayor told the said Direck Bensen the [418] Lease Contained all that was Leased by the Conditions and that he Could not Give him more than his Bargaine all which the said Mayor Executed Tendered and said in the presence of several Witnesses.

This day the said Direck Benson personally Appeared before this Courte and the Lease of the ferry was tendered unto him duely Executed which he Refused to Accept. That this Courte Demanded of the said Direck Benson that he would Execute the Counter parte of the Said Lease According to the Conditions of the Demise & Give Bond with sureties for performance of Covenants According to the said Conditions which he possitively Refused to doe Unless the Old house was added to the Lease or twenty pounds ℔ Annum of the Rent Abated.

ORDERED That the said Ferry between the Citty of New Yorke And Nassaw Island be Again Demised together with the New Brick house Barne and pen thereunto belonging on Munday the twenty seaventh day of this Instant Month of January to the highest bidder upon the Aforesaid Conditions and that the Mayor Recorder Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Rosevelt Mr Onclebag and Mr Jelleson or Any four of them be A Committee for the farming of the same.

ORDERED that this Citty Commence an Action Against the Abovesaid Direck Benson of the sd Citty Boateman for Damages by this Citty sustained by his Non performance of the Conditions for farming the ferry &c: & that the Mayor fee Council for the Citty Accordingly & Draw upon the Treasurer for the paymt thereof.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Saturday the 25th day of January Anno Dom 1700[-1]

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Nicholas Rosevelt
Johannes D: Peyster

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Assistants:
Abraham Brasier
Peter Willemse Roome
Samuell Bayard
Abraham Mesier
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag

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The Committee Appointed To Adjust the Difference between Jasper Nessepott and John Marsh this day made their Reporte in these words following (Viz^{t}) Pursuant to an Order *to an Order* to us Directed to Adjust what Jasper Nessepott Should pay to John Marsh for his being Projector and Contriver of the Mill att Kings bridge wee are of Opinion that the Said John Marsh Ought to be paid by Said Jasper the sum of twelve pounds Curr^{t} Money of the Province of New Yorke and that then the said Mill be Granted to the said Jasper Nessepott and his Assigns and said Nessepott to make No Other pretence Relating [to] Any Accounts between them.

David Provoost Jun^{r}
Pieter Willemse
Abraham Mesier

Which Reporte is Approved & Ordered the Mayor Execute A Grant for the said Mill to the said Jasper Nessepott and to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever, he the said Jasper first Giving Bond to the said John Marsh to pay unto him the sum of twelve pounds Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke within the Space of two Months after the said John Marsh Shall Demand the said Bond.

Ordered that the Recorder Alderman D: Peyster M^{r} Willemse and M^{r} Brasier or Any three of them be A Committee to Agree with Peter Jansen Mesier what he shall pay for A Grant of the Land from high water to low water Marke fronting his house and Ground where he now dwelleth by Hudsons River and also to Reporte upon what Conditions the same Shall be Granted to him.

Ordered That M^{r} Mayor Alderman Rosevelt M^{r} Jelleson And M^{r} Onclebag or any three of them be A Committee to View the Land from High water to Low Water Marke beginning att the [420] Land Lately Granted to John Rodman fronting Hudsons River and Running from thence Along the River to the forte and that they Cause A Draft thereof to be made and Ascertaine y^{e} Quantity And make Reporte with all Convenient Expedition.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the 27th day of January Anno Dom 1700[-1]

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Brasier
Peter Willemse Roome
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag } Assistants.

Ordered that to prevent Any suite of Law or further Difference between this Citty and Direck Benson that the ferry of this Citty be Lett to farme unto him for the sum of one hundred and thirty pounds ℔ Annum Currt Money of New Yorke for the terme of Seaven Years to Commence from the twenty fifth day of March Next Ensueing the Date hereof And Ordered the Mayor Execute A Lease for the same Accordingly.

Ordered that the said Direck Benson have the Benefitt of the Citty ferry house in which Thomas Hooke now dwelleth if this Citty have Any Right thereunto During the Terme of the said Lease Although the same be not Mentioned in the Lease thereof.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of ye Said Citty on Saturday ye 22d day of February Anno Dom 1700[-1]

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost } ESqrs Aldermen
[421] Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Brasier
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Mesier
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag } Assistants

The Committee Appointed to Audite the Books and Accounts of

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David Provoost ESqr late Treasurer of this Citty doe Reporte that they have Examined the same from an Audit thereof Made the 29th of October 1698 untill the fourteenth of October then Next Ensueing and there Appears due to the said David Provoost to Ballance the sum of Eight pounds nine Shilings and Nine pence Curr: Money of New Yorke which is Approved & ordered the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay the same.

The Petition of Peter Willemse Roome was read praying he be Allowed Interest for the Money the Citty Owes him untill Such time the same be paid. ORDERED that Alderman D: Peyster & Alderman Beyvanke be A Committee to Examine ye Allegations of the Petitioner and Make Reporte thereof to the Next Common Council.

ORDERED that the Recorder Draw A Petition to his Excell the Earle of Bellomont and Council praying they will Order the sum of twelve pounds to be paid to this Citty out of his Majts Revenue being Money disburs'd by this Corporation for the Making and fitting of Goals for holding & Keeping severall Soldiers Upon the Late Great Mutiny and that the Mayor sign the ℔ Order of this Courte.

[422] Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the 17th day of March Anno Dom 1700[-1]

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt
} ESqrs Aldermen
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brasier
Gerrett Onclebag
} Assistants.

ORDERED that twenty Six Rodd of the Ground from High Water to Low water Marke fronting the house and Ground of Richard Sackett and Margery his wife in the East Ward of this Citty be sold unto the said Richard Sackett and Margery his wife and to their Heirs and Assigns for ever, and ORDERED that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Provoost Mr Willemse & Mr Brasier or Any three of them be A Committee to Adjust what the said Richard sackett Shall pay for the same And forthwith make Reporte thereof to the Mayor, and that if the said Richard Sackett Shall Comply with the Sd Reporte that the Mayor Execute A Grant for the Aforesaid Land Accordingly.

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MEMORANDUM this day this Courte Agreed with William Mumford Stone Cutter to finde Stones and to Carve thereupon the Kings Arms, the Earle *the Earle* of Bellomonts Arms and the Lieut Governours Arms According to the Demensions of the several Squares left in the front of the Citty Hall for the putting up of the same that the said William Mumford well and Workeman like Shall Carve and finish and put up (the said several Coats of Arms to be by him Cutt in Stones Aforesaid) in the front Wall of the Citty Hall of the said Citty within the space of Six Months Next Ensueing the Date hereof. That he shall make [423] Mouldings of Stone Round Each Respective Coate of Arms and that Each Coate of Arms Shall be put upon one Stone but if A Stone Convenient for the Cutting the Kings Arms on Cannott be gott large Enough that then the said William Mumford has Liberty to Cutt the same upon two Stones, that the said William Mumford Shall without delay goe about getting of Stones & Cutting the said Arms and Shall not undertake any Other worke till he has finished the same in Consideration of which worke to be done & finished in Manner Aforesaid the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality doe Covenant to pay to the said William Mumford the sum of fourty one pounds four Shilings Curr! Money of New Yorke in Manner following that is to Say the sum of Eight Shilings ℔ week untill the same Amounteth to the sum of five pounds and the Remainder thereof when he the said William Mumford has Compleated & finished the said worke upon good and sufficient Stones and well and workeman like in Manner as Aforesaid and to the true performance of the Covenants Abovesaid by the said William Mumford to be performed & Kept the said William Mumford bindeth himselfe to the said Mayor Aldermen & Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke and their successors in the sum of fourty pounds Curr! Money of New Yorke firmly by these presents. In Wittness whereof the said William Mumford hath hereunto putt his hand the day and Year aforesaid William Mumford.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrants to the Treasurer to pay to the said William Mumford the sums of Money According to the Above Agreem^{t}

The Committee Appointed to Examine the Petitions of Peter Willemse Roome doe Reporte that the said Peter Willemse Ought to be Allowed twelve pounds Eighteen Shilings and Eight pence Interest for his Money the Citty Owes him untill the same is paid Provided the ferry house be Compleatly finished According to his Agreement which Reporte is Approved & ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the same

[424] ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to

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pay to Abraham Gouverneur ESq^{r} the sum of four pounds three Shilings and four pence New Yorke Money itt being for five Months Sallary as town Clerke of this Citty due to him in the Years 1690 & 1691

The Committee for Auditing the Acc^{ts} of Peter Delanoy ESq^{r} Deceased made their Reporte and ORDERED the same be Recommitted to the same Committee for their further Consideration.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on saturday y^{e} 29th day of March Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq^{r} Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESq^{r} Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Peter Willemse
Abraham Brasier
Abraham Mesier
Gerrett Onclebag } Assistants.

The Committee Appointed to Agree with Peter Jansen Mesier for the Land fronting his purchase from High water to low water Marke fronting to Hudsons River doe Reporte that they have Agreed with the said Peter Jansen Mesier as followeth (Viz^{t}) that the said piece of Ground from High water to Low water Marke Containing in breadth Along the Strand According to his Pattent Shall be Granted Unto the said Peter Jansen Mesier and to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever, for the Consideration of twenty pounds Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke to be paid to the Mayor A[l]dermen and Commonality of the said Citty on the Delivery of the Grant. that the said Peter Jansen Mesier his Heirs or Assigns Shall not Inclose the same or build thereon nor lay Any Dock or wharfe thereupon untill such time as the Ground on the North side of him between him and the Kings farme is Docked or Wharfed but that the same doe Continue [425] A Publick place for fishing or passing through the same as itt is att this present that whenever he Shall Dock the same he Shall make A Street or wharfe of fourty foot wide att low water Marke fronting to Hudsons River in such Manner as the Street is to be made on the south side of the same by John Hutchins his Heirs or assigns which shall Remaine for A Publick Street or Highway for Ever. which Reporte is Approved And ORDER'D the Mayor Execute A Grant Accordingly.

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ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Roger Baker the sum of two pounds ten shilings and six pence itt being Expences att his house in making of Rules for the Mayors Courte of the said Citty by the Mayor Aldermen and Attorney of the same.

The Committee Appointed to Measure the Ground from High water to low water Marke fronting to Hudsons River doe Reporte that they have Measured the same which begins att the Ground lately Granted to John Rodman and Runs Along the Strand towards the forte to the Ground of Direck Vanderburgh one thousand and sixty Six foot, and in *in* depth on the North End One hundred and ten foot, to low water marke and on the south End Eighty odd foot to Low water Marke Aforesaid.

ORDER'D that the same Committee doe Cause the said Ground to be laid out in Lotts & Speak to the Several Proprietors of the Ground fronting to the same to Know what they are willing to Give therefore And to Order Soe many Slips and such Wharfs or Streets as they Shall think fitt in Order the same be Granted to the Respective Proprietors of the Land fronting the same or if they Refuse to Such Other person as are willing to make A Purchase thereof in Order that the West side of this Citty may be made more Regular and More Commodious for the Inhabitants thereof and make Reporte of their proceedings herein with all Convenient Expedition and upon what Terms & Conditions the same Ought to be Granted.

[426] ORDERED That the Recorder Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Beyvanke and Mr Willemse & Mr Onclebag be A Committee to Audite the Books and Acc[t]s of Peter Delanoy ESq[r] late Treasurer of this Citty and make Reporte with all Convenient Expedition.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on saturday the twenty Sixth day of April 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq[r] Recorder
Abraham Gouverneur ESq[r] Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Martin Clock
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESq[rs] Aldermen
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brasier
Abraham Mesier
Hendrick Jelleson } Assistants.

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ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas the sum of fifteen pounds two Shilings Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe years sallary as Cl of the Common Council due y^{e} 14th Instant for Drawing Engrossing & Recording A Deed to John Rodman for the old Citty Hall Drawing A Defeazance three Bonds & A Release from Clause Burger for parte of the same Drawing the Leases of the Docks & the ferry &c: as Appears by his Acc^{t} which is Allowed and ORDERED the Treasurer pay the same.

ORDER'D The Mayor Issue his Warrants to the Treasurer to pay to Capt. Johannes D: Peyster and Capt David Provoost Each the sum of fourteen pounds ten shilings Currant [427] Money of New Yorke itt being for their service in Gen^{ll} Assembly from the first of October Last to the Second day of November then Next following Inclusive being thirty three days. Sundays Deducted make twenty Nine days.

The Petition of M^{r} Abraham D: Lanoy Executor &c: of M^{r} Peter D: Lanoy Deceased was read and ORDERED the same be Committed to the Consideration of the Committee who have the Auditing the Acc^{ts} of the said Peter Delanoy

ORDER'D that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Provoost & Alderman Clock M^{r} Willemse M^{r} Mesier & M^{r} Onclebag or Any four of them be A Committee to search the Records and finde out what Quantities of Land are Granted to the Respective Inhabitants of the broadway or any Other who have Land fronting to Hudsons River between the Land Lately Granted to John Rodman and the Ground of Direck Vanderburgh and to take an Acc^{t} how Near to the River their Respective Grants Run that Afterwards they Call the Surveyors of this Citty to their Assistance and make A Draft of what Ground belongs to this Citty between their Respective Purchases and low water Marke And also to Appoint places Convenient to be left for Slips And to Ascertaine the Quantity of Every Respective Lott of Ground which fronts the Ground of the Respective freeholders Aforesaid. and make Return thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

ORDERED that if John Euwatse Refuse to pay the Money he Owes to the Citty for the Rent of the ferry that the Recorder Commence an Action Against him in the Name of the Mayor Alderman and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke and that the Treasurer pay him his fee for the same and Other Charges Relating thereunto.

[428] ORDERED that Peter Willemse Roome be Discharged from the Covenants made with the Citty Relating to the building of the ferry house he having fullfilled the same.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Fryday the 9th day of May Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
Martin Clock
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESqrs Aldermen
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brasier
Gerrett Onclebag } Assistants.

Ordered that all the Carmen of this Citty doe Appear before this Courte on Munday Next in the Afternoon.

Ordered that the Assistants of the severall Wards within this Citty doe Call to there Assistance two of the freeholders of their Respective Wards and with all Expedition goe to the severall houses in the same and Know of the Inhabitants what they severally are willing to Contribute Monthly for the Cleaning of the Streets and Carrying Away the Dirte thereof & make return of their proceedings herein to this Courte with all Convenient Expedition

Ordered that the Recorder and Mr James Emott doe forthwith take out A Writt Agt William Merrett ESqr att the suite of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke for the Money he is indebted to this Citty & that the Treasurer pay unto them their fee and for Other Charges thereunto belonging.

[429] Ordered that this Citty doe farme the Excise of Kings County on Nassaw Island for the Year Ensueing Commencing from the Eighteenth day of this Instant Month of May and that this Courte doe Immediately Agree with his Majesties Collector And Receiver Genll for the farming the same.

And Johannes D: Peyster ESqr being Appointed by his Majts Collector and Receiver Genll to Lett out the same to farme hath Accordingly farmed to this Citty the whole Excise of Kings County on Nassaw Island for the Year Ensueing to Commence from the eighteenth day of this Instant Month of May for the sum of fourty pounds ℔ Annum to be paid in four Equal Quarterly payments unto his Majesties Collector And Receiver Genll for the Province of New Yorke for the time being by the Treasurer of the Said Citty of New Yorke Whereupon itt is Ordered that the Mayor Enter into Recognisance in

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the Name of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of this Citty for the payment of the said sum of fourty pounds by Quarterly payments as Aforesaid.

ORDER'D that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Beyvanke and Mr Peter Willemse Roome or any two of them doe lett the Said Excise of Kings County to farme for the Year Ensueing to such Person or Persons and on such Terms and Conditions as they Shall think Convenient and make Reporte thereof to this Courte on the 19th Instant.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Munday the 12th day of May Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D Riemer ESqr Recorder
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
Martin Clock
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESqrs Aldermen
Peter Willemse
Abraham Brasier
Gerrett Onclebag } Assistants

[430] ORDERED that Mr Mayor Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Clock Alderman Rosevelt Mr Brasier Mr Onclebag and Mr Willemse or any three of them be A Committee to Measure the Ground Now in Possession of Richard sackett and to Ascertaine the Quantity of Ground he Desires of this City to be Granted to him to low water Marke fronting the same and make Reporte thereof with all Convenient Expedition & that the said Committee Agree with him what he Shall pay for A Grant thereof, that if they Agree the Mayor to Execute A Grant Accordingly.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Tuesday the 20th day of May Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Recorder
Abraham Gouveneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Evert Beyvanke
Martin Clock } ESqrs Aldermen
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brasier
Gerrett Onclebagh } Assistants.

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The Committee Appointed to Lett the Excise of Kings County to farme doe Reporte that they have farmed y^e^ Same for the year Ensueing Commencing from the 18^th^ Instant unto Direck Benson for the sum of fourty pounds to be paid by Equal Quarterly payments And have taken Recognisance Accordingly which Reporte is Approved And ORDERED the said Recognisances to be Delivered to the Treasurer & they were delivered Accordingly.

RESOLVED that all the Ground belonging to this Citty from High water to Low water Marke begining att M^r^ William Beeckmans att the Lower End of Queen Street and Runing Along the Strand to the Ground of Richard Sackett be Exposed to sale and also the upland Adjoyning thereunto and ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost Alderman Clock M^r^ Willemse and M^r^ Brazier or any three of [431] Them be A Committee to Cause the surveyors of this Citty to Lay out the same in Convenient Lotts and to Ascertaine the Demensions and boundaries thereof and upon what Terms and Conditions the same Ought to be Granted, and that they also Cause A Parte of the said Ground to be left Vacant for the building A ferry house or any Other publick use of the Citty

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to peter Willemse Roome or Order the sum of twelve pounds Eighteen shilings and Eight pence Curr^t^ Money of New Yorke Allowed to him in Common Council y^e^ 17^th^ day of March last for Interest of Money due to him from the Citty.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on saturday the 24^th^ day of May Anno Dom̄ 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq^r^ Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESq^r^ Recorder

ESq^rs^ Aldermen
- Johannes D: Peyster
- David Provoost
- Jacobus V: Cortlandt
- Nicholas Rosevelt

Assistants.
- samuell Bayard
- Abraham Brazier
- Hendrick Jelleson
- Gerrett Onclebag

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ORDERED that all the former Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty be Continued in force till further Order.

ORDERED the Dock Street Queen Street from Mr Theobald's to Maiden Lane Beauer street and the Wall Street as far as the Well be forthwith paved and that for the more Regular doing thereof That the Alderman of each Respective Ward doe Order the surveyors of this Citty to Direct the Regular doing [432] Thereof And that if Any Inhabitants Shall Refuse to pave before their Respective houses According to the Direction of ye Alderman of the Ward wherein such Inhabitant doth Dwell that such Inhabitant for Every such Neglect or Refusal Shall be Lyable to such pains and Penalties fines and forfeitures as Mentioned and Contained in an Ordinance of this Citty Intituled an Ordinance for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys of this Citty and itt is further ORDERED that the Alderman of each Respective Ward doe Order such Pavements to be mended as are out of Repair or such as are not Regularly made for the publick Conveniency and Accommodation of the Inhabitants of the said Citty.

ORDERED that the Ground to be Granted to Richard Sackett and Margery his wife be Granted in the Name of Richard Sackett his Heirs and Assigns for Ever.

ORDERED that all and Every of the Inhabitants of this Citty doe On Every fryday Rake the Dirte together before their Respective houses upon heaps and that the Carmen of this Citty doe on Every saturday Carry them Away and that the Inhabitants of this Citty pay them for Every loade of Dirte which they Shall Carry away three pence and if the Carmen loade their Carts themselves Six pence for Every loade and that the Sheriff take Care that this and all Other Laws Now in force Relating to the Cleaning the Streets of this Citty be Effectually put in Execution.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 4th day of June Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Martin Clock
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt
} ESqrs Aldermen.

[433] samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Mesier
Abraham Brasier
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag
} Assistants

THE Committee Appointed to Lay out the Ground between High water and low water Marke lying and begining at the West side of Richard sacketts Ground and Running Westerly Along the Strand to the Ground lately Granted to William sharpas doe Reporte that they have Caused the surveyor to lay out the same which Contains in length seven hundred & fourty four foot And have Caused the same to be laid out in Lotts begining att the Land late Granted to Richard sackett and Runing Westerly twenty three Lotts the first lott N° 1 and the Last Lott N° 23 Containing in breadth twenty five foot And A halfe & the Rest Containing in breadth twenty five foot, English Measure that on the West Side of the Lott N° 18 there Shall be A Slip of fourty three foot wide and that on the West side of the Said Slip One hundred foot in breadth along the Strand Shall be Reserved for the publick use of the Citty that On the West side of he Said One hundred foot of Ground lyeth five Lott[s] N° 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. which said Lotts are in depth on the East End Eighty foot and on the West End sixty foot all English Measure which Reporte is Approved and ORDERED that Alderman Provoost Alderman Clock Mr Willemse And Mr Brasier or Any three of them be A Committee to sell the same by Publick Vendue On saturday Next being the seaventh Instant att two of the Clock in the Afternoon upon such Terms and Conditions as they Shall think meet & make Reporte thereof to the Mayor without delay in Order he Execute Grants for the same Accordingly.

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[434] ORDERED that the Treasurer pay the Money he Receives from Mr Sackett in Manner following (Vizt)

To Mr Peter Willemse Roome fifty four pounds

To Jacob Van Noorstrand Sixteen pounds

To Phillip French twenty pounds and if he Refuses to Accept of itt to pay to William Sharpas fifteen pounds two Shillings According to his Warrant.

ORDERED that the Treasurer pay the twenty pounds he Received from John Euwatse to the Bellmen, Leonard Degraw and Company.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the 30th day of June Anno Dom 1701.

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor

Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder

Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Martin Clock
Nicolas Rosevelt
} ESqrs Aldermen

Abraham Brasier
Abraham Mesier
Peter Willemse Roomer
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag
} Assistants

WHEREAS by Order this Courte in the Mayorality of David Provoost ESqr an Order for paying Capt Johannes D: Peyster two pounds Nine shilings the Ballance of his Acct During his Mayorality & also *also* for Seaven pounds for his Sallary as A Representative of this Citty in Genll Assembly was pased the Eighteenth day of Sepbr 1700 & Warrants Issued for paying the same which are since Mislaid or lost for which he hath desired New Warrants. ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the said sums Accordingly.

[435] ORDERED that the Old markett house near the Custom house bridge be for Ever hereafter Appropriated for A publick Markett house for the Benefitt and Conveniency of all persons thatt Shall Resorte thereunto in as full and Ample manner as any Other Markett house or markett place within this Citty now is or Lawfully Ought to be.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the 8th day of July Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Nicholas Rosevelt
Martin Clock

Assistants:
Peter Willemse Roome
samuell Bayard
Abraham Brazier
Hendrick Jellesen
Gerrett Onclebag

ORDERED that the Inhabitants of the neighbourhood of Burgers path have Liberty to Erect A Markett house att their Own Charge on the Vacant Lotts of Ground fronting to the houses of Leonard Huygen and that Late of Jacob Teller and that for the Conveniency & Accommodation of the publick and that the Title to the Said Land Shall be defended by this Citty but what Damage Shall Accrue by the Cutting or pulling down of the Said Markett house Shall be the Loss of the Neighbourhood that build the same.

[436] Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Saturday ye 12th July 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouveneur ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
Martin Clock
Nicholas Rosevelt

Assistants:
samuell Bayard
Abraham Brazier
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag

The Mayor Acquainted this Courte that John Miseroll Junr who Lately att A publick Vendue held the one & twentieth day of December last past purchased of this Citty two hundred Acres of Land for two hundred and sixteen pounds Lying to the North of the Land of Teunis Ides hath Resigned his Title and Right Thereunto unto Jacob Dekey of this Citty Bolter and hath prayed the same May be Accordingly

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Granted & Conveyed to the said Jacob Dekey. Whereupon the said Jacob Dekey personally Appeared before this Courte and prayed A Grant might be Executed for the Said Land Accordingly and to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever on the Conditions the Same was Sold to the said John Miseroll. And further proposed to this Courte that if the Citty will Abaite him fourteen pounds of the purchase Money that he will pay One hundred pounds upon the Delivery of the Grant and One hundred and two pounds being the Residue of the purchase Money in two Months After, and that if the said Land Measure more than two hundred Acres that the Said Jacob Dekey will pay for the surplusage in proportion to the price he pays for two hundred Acres and if the same Measure less Abatement to be made Accordingly. Which propos[al] this Courte doe Agree to And ORDER that Mr Mayor & Alderma[n] D: Peyster be A Committee to see the same surveyed and that the Mayor Execute A Grant Accordingly.

ORDER'D the Treasurer pay to Mr Mayor the sum of Seaven pounds Curr[t] Money of New Yorke itt being for serving Sixteen days in Gen[ll] assembly as a Representative of this Citty from the 17th October 1700 to the second day of November following two sundays being deducted.

[437] ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 23d July Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D Riemer ESqr Mayor &
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder

Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt
} ESqrs Aldermen

Abraham Brasier
samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse Roome
Hendrick Jelleson
Gerrett Onclebag
} Assistants

The Treasurer Informeth this Courte that he hath taken two Bills of Jacob Dekey in parte payment of the Land Lately sold to him by this Citty lying between Mr Beeckmans and Mr Sacketts one of which is for twenty four pounds Eighteen Shilings & three pence payable the thirtieth Instant and One Other for thirty five pounds Six Shilings payable the one and twentieth of September Next which Bills Shall Avail the Treasurer on his Accounts if the said Dekey Shall prove Nonsolvent.

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And also one Bill of Johannes Hardenbrooke for thirty Seaven pounds ten Shilings payable the first of September Next in parte payment for the Lott of Land lately by him purchased from this Citty.

And Also one Bill of Francis Wessells for six pounds Eighteen Shilings drawn upon and Accepted by the Mayor in parte payment of the Six Lotts of Land Lately to him Sold by this Citty which said severall Bills the Treasurer is hereby Ordered to discount with any persons that have Warrants due and payable by this Citty.

ORDERED the Treasurer pay to ISaac D: Riemer ESq^r Mayor of this Citty the sum of two pounds Eleaven Shilings & Nine pence Current Money of this Citty being Money by him disbursted for posts for the Church Yard.

[438] ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Leonard De Graw Direck Slick Clause Bogaert and Matthias Van Velsen late Bellmen of this Citty the sum of twenty four pounds New Yorke Money which with thirty one pounds Already ORDER'D them is in full of their sallary due to them as Bellmen aforesaid.

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrants to the Treasurer for the payment of such debts as are Due from this Citty to sundry persons and not yett paid for Materialls Labour &c: for the New Citty Hall.

ORDERED that the Inhabitants of the Dock street and the Neighbourhood thereunto Adjoyning have Liberty att their own proper Cost and Charge to make A Well in the said Street in such place as the Mayor and the Alderman of that Ward Shall direct & Appoint.

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday y^e 29^th day of September Anno Dom 1701.

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq^r Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESq^r Recorder

ESq^rs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Jacob Boelen
Nicholas Rosevelt
Martin Clock
Jacobus V: Cortlandt

Assistants.
Abraham Brazier
Peter Willemse Roome
samuell Bayard
Gerrett Onclebag
Abraham Mesier

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Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this Citty for the Electing this day one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one petty Constable in each [439] Respective Ward of the said Citty and two Constables and Overseers of the Highways for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Outward of the said Citty to serve in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing According to the Usage Practice Custom Laws and Ordinances of this Citty and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof att twelve of the Clock att noon of the same day to the Office of Town Clerke under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenure of the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Vizt)

Dock Ward	Phillip French	Alderman
	Robert Lurting	Assistant
	John Vanhorne, Nicholas Jamaine	Assessors
	Albert Clock	Collector
	James Spencer	Constable
South Ward	Nicholas Rosevelt	Aldermen
	Hendrick Jelleson	Assistant
	Rip Van Dam, Francis Vincent	Assessors
	Elias Peltreau	Collector
	Hendrick Metslaer	Constable
West Ward	David Provoost Junr	Alderman
	Peter Willemse Roome	Assistant
	Jacob Goelett, Robert White	Assessors
	Peter Danielse	Constable
	Meson Nowe	Collector
East Ward	Johannes D: Peyster	Alderman
	Abraham Brazier	Assistant
	Olphert Suerts, Andries Abramse	Assessors
	Johannes Vansante	Collector
	Jacob Bratt	Constable
[440] North Ward	Jacob Boelen	Alderman
	Gerrett Onclebag	Assistant
	Jacob Van Noostrand, Abraham Keteltas	Assessors
	Lewis Bongrand	Collector
	Simon Bresteade	Constable

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Out Ward	Martin Clock	Alderman
	Abraham Mesier	Assistant
	Thomas Eckerse	Assessor
	Jan Ryckman	Collector
	David Mendevil	Constable
	Johannes Tomase, Egbert Harmens	Surveyors of the high ways
Harlem Division	Hendrick Van Oblinis	Assessor
	Abraham Delamontagne	Constable
	Jan Cierson	Collector
	Peter Van Oblinis, Jacques Turneur, Lawrence Jansen	Overseers of Harlem

A Warrant under the hand and Seale of the Hon^ble the Lieu^t Gouvern^r was read, Appointing William Sharpas and Barne Cosens to examine the Lists of Elections of Aldermen of this Citty & the Directions of the Charter of the said Citty Relating to the Choice of the same and to Reporte to him in writing what they Shall finde therein Relating to the Legality of the said Elections (several Complaints of y^e Inhabitants of several Wards being unto him made of undue Elections & Returns of Aldermen Aforesaid) Whereupon itt is ORDERED that M^r Recorder and Alderman D: Peyster be A Committee forthwith to Acquaint his Honour that the Common Council of this Citty are the sole Judges of the due Elections and Returns of the Magistrates and Other Officers for this Corporation and that itt is unpresidentall for this Corporation to be Served with Such A Warrant and to desire his Honour to Recall the same.

The Recorder and Alderman D: Peyster doe Reporte that the Lieu^t Governour is gone Abroad and they Cannot finde him whereupon this matter is Refer'd till to morrow att two of the Clock in y^e Afternoon and ORDERED the said Committee on the Lieut. Gov^r before that time and make Reporte thereof to morrow to this Court.

[441] Nicholas Rosevelt ESq^r is by this Court Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer of this Citty for the year Ensueing

M^r Mayor has Appointed Lawrence Vanhooke High Constable of this Citty for the year Ensueing

ORDERED that M^r Mayor Sell the litle Old boarded house Standing by the Citty Hall to the best Advantage for the Citty.

The Mayor Acquainted this Court that his Hon^r the Lieu^t Governour and Council had Appointed Thomas Noell ESq^r to be Mayor of

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this Citty for the year Ensueing and Isaac D: Riemer ESq^r^ to be High Sheriff of the said Citty & County for the year Ensueing.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Tuesday y^e^ 30^th^ day of September Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq^r^ Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESq^r^ Recorder
David Provoost
Jacobus V: Cortlandt } ESq^rs^ Aldermen
Nicholas Rosevelt
samuell Bayard
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brazier } Assistants
Abraham Mesier
Hendrick Jellese

M^r^ Recorder Reports that he and Alderman D: Peyster waited on the Lieu^t^ Gouvernour Pursuant to the Order of this Court Yesterday and Acquainted him with the Opinion of this Court and gave him the Warrant which he had directed to Will Sharpas & Barne Cosens, who put the Warrant into his pocquett and told them he would Consider the matter and give an Answer in A day or two.

[442] Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Saturday the 4^th^ day of October Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq^r^ Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESq^r^ Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Evert Beyvanke } ESq^rs^ Aldermen
Martin Clock
Nicholas Rosevelt
Samuell Bayard
Hendrick Jelleson } Assistants
Abraham Brasier

WHEREAS Complaint hath been made by William Morris And Jeremiah Tothil Inhabitants of the East Ward of this Citty that Johannes D: Peyster ESq^r^ Alderman of the East Ward did on the twenty Ninth

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day of September last past make an undue Return of the Alderman and Assistant and Other Officers Elected for the service of the said Ward for the Year Ensueing and that the Right of Election for Alderman and Assistant was in the said William Morris And Jeremiah Tothill &c: Therefore in Order that Right & Justice may be done herein itt is hereby ORDERED that Mr Recorder Alderman Beyvanke Mr Bayard & Mr Onclebag or any three of them be A Committee to Examine the Lists of Election of the said Ward together with the Lists of Elections of the Severall Wards wherein Complaint has been made of undue Returns and that they make Report to this Courte with all Expedition, what persons are duely Elected in the said severall Wards to Serve for Aldermen Assistants and Other Officers of this Citty for the year Ensueing.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Fryday ye 10th day of October Anno Dom 1701

[443] Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Nicolas Rosevelt } ESqrs Aldermen
Evert Beyvanke
Martin Clock
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brazier
Gerrett Onclebag } Assistants.
Hendrick Jelleson

THE Committee Appointed to Examine the Lists of Elections doe Reporte in these words following Viz: New Yorke 10th October 1701 by Vertue of the within Order wee have with all Exactness possible made A Scrutiny on the Poll Lists for the Choice of Aldermen and Assistants for the year Ensueing that is to say for the East Ward wee finde duely Elected Johannes D: Peyster Alderman Abraham Brazier Assistant. for the West Ward David Provoost Alderman Peter Willemse Roome Assistant and for the south Ward Nicholas Rosevelt Alderman And Hendrick Jellese Assistant Witness our hands Date Abovesaid. Abrañ Gouverneur Recorder Evert Beyvanke Alderman Gerrett Onclebag. which Reporte is by this Court Approved.

Mr Mayor produced to this Court Six writts of Mandamus wch were read Requiring the Mayor Aldermen and Recorder to Swear

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John Hutchins Alderman of the West Ward Brandt Schuyler Alderman of the south Ward and William Morris Alderman of the East Ward, Jeremiah Tothill Assistant of the East Ward Johannes Johnson Assistant of the south Ward and Robert White Assistant of the West Ward. ORDERED that the Mayor Aldermen & Commonality [444] of this Citty make Return of the said writts Cum protestando of Misnomer and all the Defects of the same and that the Mayor fee such and soe many Council for the Citty in that Case as he Shall think fitt.

City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the Said Citty on Munday ye 13th day of October Anno Dom 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Evert Beyvanke
Nicholas Rosevelt } ESqrs Aldermen
Peter Willemse Roome
Abraham Brasier
Abraham Mesier
Gerrett Onclebag } Assistants

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas Clerke of this Court the sum of Eighteen pounds fourteen Shilings Currt Money of New Yorke being for halfe Years Sallary due to morrow, Drawing Deed for John Miserol drawing Conditions and being Vendue Master for Selling the Land to John Miseroll and for the twenty three Lotts of Land by Mr Sacketts & Ordered that the Treasurer pay the same.

ORDERED the Treasurer pay to ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor of this Citty the sum of Six pounds four Shilings and six pence N: Yorke Money itt being for boards & Labour &c: for the making the fence about the Burial place and that this Order signed by the Clerke be his sufficient Order for soe doing.

[445] ORDER'D the Treasurer pay to ISaac D: Riemer ESqr Mayor of this Citty or Order the sum of three pounds Nineteen Shilings and Nine pence Currt Money of New Yorke being Money by him paid to severall Carmen for Cleaning the Streets on the Buriall of the Earle of

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Bellomont and that this Order signed by the Clerke of this Court be A sufficient Warrant unto him for soe doing.

ORDERED the Treasurer pay to ISaac D Riemer ESq^r^ Mayor of this Citty or Order the sum of twenty pounds Curr^t^ money of New Yorke in full for sallary due to the Bellmen of this Citty for their service as Bellmen of this Citty Ending the twenty fifth day of March last past and that this Order be A sufficient Warrant to him for soe doing.

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to Pay to Cap^t^ David Provoost or Order the sum of three pounds And four pence halfe penny being Money disbursted by him for Surveying the Land att Harlem sold to Jacobus Dekey and Lotts laid out by Sacketts and Other Expences on Committees. and the sum of Eighteen pounds Sixteen shilings Money by him paid to M^r^ Janeway as Scavenger of this Citty and also twelve pounds ten Shilings and Nine pence for Levelling the point Near the English Church and making the Street Even and that the Treasurer pay the same.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Enoch Hill or Order fourteen pounds sixteen Shilings New York Money being for one years Sallary as Marshall of this Citty due to Morrow and for severall Other Services for the Citty on publick Vendues in selling Lands, Leasing the Dock & ferry &c: and Ordered the Treasurer pay the same.

[446] ORDERED that the Treasurer discount with the Citty three pounds thirteen Shilings and One penny New Yorke Money being Money by him disbursted for the use of the Watch of this Citty for fire and Candle and that this Order be his Warr^t^ for soe doing.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Gabriel Tomson or Order the sum of fourty Eight pounds Six Shilings and four pence Curr^t^ Money of New Yorke itt being for house Rent for the Courts, Expences for the New Citty Hall Expences about farming the ferry and Expences att severall Vendues about selling Land as Appears by his Account which is Allowed and Ordered the Treasurer pay the same.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to M^r^ Abraham Mesier or Order the sum of one pound seaventeen Shilings Curr^t^ Money of New Yorke itt being for bear delivered att the building the New Citty Hall & Ordered the Treasurer pay the same

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to

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Peter De Milt ESq^{r} High Sheriff of this Citty the sum of five pounds Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke itt being for the Execution of A Murderer Henry Lewis and Ordered the Treasurer pay the same.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Direck Benson or order the sum of thirty pounds Current Money of New Yorke itt being Money by him disbursted for sundry Repairs for the ferry house Barne and Landing bridge att the ferry to this day as appears by his Account which is Allowed & Ordered that the Treasurer pay the same.

[447] Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday y^{e} 14th day of October Anno Dom$\overline{\text{i}}$ 1701

Present ISaac D: Riemer ESq^{r} Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESq^{r} Recorder

ESq^{rs} Aldermen:
- Johannes D: Peyster
- David Provoost
- Martin Clock
- Evert Beyvanke
- Nicholas Rosevelt

Assistants:
- Abraham Brasier
- Hendrick Jelleson
- Peter Willemse Roome
- Gerrett Onclebag
- Abraham Mesier

This day the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy were Administred to the New Aldermen and Assistants hereafter Mentioned (Viz^{t}) Johannes D: Peyster Alderman of the East Ward David Provoost Alderman of the West Ward Jacob Boelen Alderman of the North Ward Nicholas Rosevelt Alderman of the south Ward and also to Abraham Brasier Assistant of the East Ward Peter Willemse Roome Assistant of the West Ward Hendrick Jelleson Assistant of the south Ward Gerrett Onclebag Assistant of the North Ward and Abraham Mesier Assistant of the Outward who Accordingly subscribed the Test and Association and tooke the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices of Aldermen and Assistants and Accordingly took their places.

Lawrence Vanhooke was also Sworne high Constable of this Citty for the year Ensueing

The Other public Officers were absent therefore not sworne

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[448] Citty of New Yorke } SS Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the 14th day of October Anno Domini 1701

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
David Provoost
Jacob Boelen
Martin Clock
Nicholas Rosevelt

Assistants:
Abraham Brasier
Peter Willemse Roome
Gerrett Onclebag
Abraham Mesier
Hendrick Jellese

This day the Old Mayor Attended by the present Mayor Thomas Noell ESqr and the Aldermen Sheriff Assistants Town Clerke High Constable petty Constables Assessors Collectors and Other Officers as well those then in Office as those Now in Office According to the Usage and Custom of the said Citty waited upon the Honble John Nanfan ESqr his Majestys Lieutenant Gouvernour and Commander in Chiefe of this Province in Council where the New Mayor and sheriff had the Oaths Administred unto them Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy and subscribed the Test and Association and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices & Received their Commissions Accordingly, from thence the Mayor Recorder Aldermen sheriff &c: Attended as Aforesaid went to Trinity Church where the Rector thereof Mr William Vesey preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion which Ended they Returned to the Citty Hall where the Commissions of the New Mayor and Sheriff were published upon which [449] The New Mayor Assumed the Chair and Received the Charter And seals from the Old Mayor and Caused the Oaths Aforesaid to be Administred to Phillip French Alderman of the Dock Ward and to Robert Lurting Assistant of the said Ward who subscribed the Test and Association and tooke the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Accordingly tooke their places.

James Spencer Hendrick Metslaer simon Breasteade Peter Danielse David Mendevil & Jan Cierson were sworne Constables of the Respective Wards for which they were Chosen for the year Ensueing

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Jacob Bratt Constable of the East Ward is Absent

six Writts of Mandamus were delivered to Mr Mayor directed to the Mayor and Recorder to Swear William Morris Alderman of the East Ward and Jeremiah Tothill Assistant of the same Ward Brandt Schuyler Alderman of the south Ward & Johannes Jansen Assistant of the said Ward John Hutchins Alderman of the West Ward and Robert White Assistant of the said Ward (who were Lawfully Chosen into the Respective Offices of Aldermen and Assistants of the Respective Wards aforesaid as in the said writts is Affirmed) or else to Show Cause to the Contrary the twenty fifth day of November Next The Consideration of which the Court Refer'd till A more Convenient Opportunity.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the 11th day of November 1701.

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor

Brandt Schuyler
John Hutchins
Philip French
William Morris
} ESqrs Aldermen

[451]

Robert Lurting
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
Robert White
} Assistants.

This day Mr Mayor Acquainted this Court that from the fourteenth day of October last past being the day on which he was sworne Mayor of this Citty for want of a setled Magistry in the same he had Kept A Memorandum or Journal of severall matters that had been Transacted within this Citty which Related to the publick and desired the same might be read which was Accordingly read & Order'd that the Clerke Enter the same in the Records of this Court which are in these words following (Vizt)

Memorandum on Tuesday the fourteenth day of October 1701 I. was Commissioned and sworne Mayor of the Citty of New Yorke before the Honble John Nanfan ESqr Lieut Governour of this Province and Council in his Majts Forte William Henry and from thence According to the Usuall solemnity I went to Trinity Church where was A sermon preached by Mr Vezey which Ended I went to the Citty Hall Attended by the Recorder Aldermen and Assistants and Other Officers where after the Ringing of three Bells I published my Commission and

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then went up into the Court house and tooke the Chair where Isaac D: Riemer ESq^r the late Mayor delivered to me the Charter and seals of this Citty M^r Gouverneur the Recorder placed himselfe on the bench by me as also did Johannes D: Peyster David Provoost Jacob Boelen Nicholas Rosevelt and Martin Clock ESq^rs as Aldermen and M^r Peter Willemse Roome M^r Abraham Brasier M^r Gerrett Onclebag M^r Hendrick Jelleson and M^r Abraham Mesier as Assistants upon which I Ordered the Clerke to proceed to the swearing the New Aldermen and Assistants and Other Officers but the [451] Recorder Aldermen and Assistants upon the Bench told me they were Already sworne by the Old Mayor Except M^r Phillip French Alderman of the Dock Ward and M^r Robt. Lurting Assistant of the same Ward who were not present when they were sworne Whereupon the said Phillip French and Robert Lurting before me had the Oaths Administred unto them Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance & supremacy And subscribed the Test and Association and were also sworne to the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Accordingly tooke their places which done there were delivered to me six of *her Majestys Writts of Mandamus directed to the Mayor and Recorder of the Citty of New Yorke for the time being one of which was for swearing Brandt schuyler Alderman of the south Ward of this Citty Another for swearing Johannes Jansen Assistant of the said Ward Another for swearing John Hutchins Alderman of the West Ward Another for swearing Robert White Assistant of the said Ward Another for swearing William Morris Alderman of the East Ward and Another for swearing Jeremiah Tothill Assistant of the said Ward one of which writts were openly read in the Court Room and there being many people severall disputes did Arise thereupon severall Affirming that the Aldermen and Assistants which were sworne by the Old Mayor were not Legally sworne itt being Contrary to the Ancient Rights Priviledges & Custom Granted by the Charter and Absolutely Contradictory to all the Usages in such Cases that itt has Allways been the Usage for the New Mayor to swear the New Aldermen and Assistants and Other Officers and that the Aldermen and Assistants which were sworne by the Old Mayor had Corruptly and Illegally Returned themselves and that the persons Mentioned in the Writts of Mandamus were the [452] persons Legally Elected and desired they might be Accordingly sworne upon which great heats Arose and I thought itt Convenient to leave the Chair and dissolve that Assembly

* Note—Should read "his." See also p. 522 (MS.), paragraph 5.

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to prevent the danger that seem'd to threaten and for the preservation of the peace upon which the Multitude dispersed

since which time I have Examined the Records of the said Citty and doe finde that the Aldermen Assistants and Other Officers of this Citty have allways been sworne by the New Mayor And that in all the said books there is not one precedent that the old Mayor Ever tooke that Authority Upon him for the Regulation of which Irregular proceeding I Caused ye Common Council to be summoned on Munday the twentieth of October in Order to swear Jacob Boelen Alderman of the North Ward and Gerrett Onclebag Assistant of the said Ward And Also Martin Clock Alderman of the Outward and Abraham Mesier Assistant of the said Ward & Accordingly went up into the Court Room and there Acquainted ye Gent what I Intended to doe who told me they were Already sworn That I Answered Not by me Nor by my Knowledge or Consent and that I Could not sitt with them as Aldermen and Assistants till they were sworne before me and Accordingly I Offered to Administer the Oaths to them which they Refused That I also told Mr Johannes D: Peyster Mr David Provoost & Mr Nicholas Rosevelt and the pretended Assistants of their Wards that there was A Caveat Entred Against their being sworne and that itt was disputed whether they were legally Elected and therefore desired they would forbear to Come upon the Bench till such time as their Right was Determined who Answered [453] They were duely Elected and sworne and had A Right to sitt there and would sitt there on which I left the Room telling them I Could not Act with them till itt was decided whether they were Lawfully Elected and sworne According to the Usage of this Citty to which Mr David Provoost Answer'd he would Not be sworne by me and thereupon I went home

October 21th This day I and Alderman French went to the Citty Hall in Order to Adjourn the Mayors Court where I found Mr Johannes D: Peyster Mr David Provoost and Mr Nicholas Rosevelt who followed me up into the Court Room and there Stood till I and Alderman French had Opened & Adjourned the Mayors Court and Afterwards went Away.

On the same day I discoursed with Mr Gouverneur the Recorder of the said Citty and told him I would swear the Aldermen And Assistants that were Returned without dispute if they would Admitt of itt which done their would be A sufficient Number of Magistrates and Officers to hold A Common Council for the Renewal of the Citty Laws for holding of A Mayors Court And Genll Court of Quarter sessions of the peace and for the Effecting of such Other things as would be for the

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public Benefitt and wellfare of the Inhabitants of this Citty and that I would Also Cause A scrutiny to be made of those Elections which were disputed in Order that Justice might be done, and desired he would Joyne with me herein and he would desire the Aldermen and Assistants to Consent thereunto upon which he told me he would Consider of itt and give me his Answer to Morrow.

October 22d This Morning Mr Gouverneur the Recorder Came to my house And told me he could not Assist me in the making of A scrutiny without the Consent of the Common Council or that he would not or that he Could not Consent [454] thereunto without the Common Council

October 23d This day I sent for the Recorder who Came to me and I told him I would Appoint persons to scrutiny the Election of the south Ward (to say) two men of one party and two of the Other and that they should make the scrutiny before me and desired that he would be present and Assist me therein who Answered No, he Could not or he would not.

This day I sent for Mr Nicholas Rosevelt and told him I did design to have a scrutiny made of the Election of the south Ward and desired he would be there who Answered that there had been one scrutiny made and Allowed by Common Council And he Could Not Consent to Another or to that purpose. I also Demanded of him the Poll which he said he Kept for his own security I promised he should have itt Again upon which he told me the Committee that made the scrutiny had itt that if the Common Council would Order itt from him he would deliver itt and not Otherwise. upon which I told him I would proceed on the scrutiny and would Appoint Matthew Ling Rip Van Dam Gysbert Vaninburgh and Johannes Van Geesen Inhabitants of the said Ward before me to make the scrutiny who Answered they were good men he had Nothing to Object Against them or to that purpose vpon which I Issued the following Warrant, (Johannes Van Geesen not being to be found[)]

Citty of New Yorke } SS Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor of the Citty of New Yorke to Rip Van Dam. Matthew Ling Gysbert Vaninburgh & Capt Cornelius D: Peyster Inhabitants within the south Ward of the said Citty and to Every of them Greeting. Whereas Brandt Schuyler of the Citty and Ward Aforesaid Merchant hath Appeared before me and Claims to be Chosen Alderman of the said ward by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants [455] *of the Inhabitants* of that Ward on the twenty Ninth day of september last According to the usage of the said Citty for the year then Ensueing

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which Choice is denyed by Nicholas Rosevelt of the same Ward Boulter who also makes Claime to be Chosen as Abovesaid that there may be no defect of Justice in this behalfe in his Majestys Name I doe hereby Require you that the partyes Abovesaid being summoned to be present if they think fitt in their presence or in default thereof in their Absence before me att my house within the said Citty on fryday Next being the twenty fourth day of this Instant Month of October att Eight of the Clock in the Morning You Justly Inspect and scrutiny the Voices of the Inhabitants of the said Ward and that thereupon such of You as Shall Attend this service Certifie unto me under your hands if the said Nicholas Rosevelt or Brandt Schuyler be Chosen Alderman by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants Aforesaid According to the usage abovesaid and this Shall be unto You a sufficient Warrant for soe doing. In Wittness whereof I have hereunto putt my hand And Common seale of the said Citty the twenty third day of October in the thirteenth Year of his Majestys Reign Anno dom 1701

This day I Issued another Warrant to the persons abovesaid to scrutiny the Voices of the Inhabitants of the same Ward if Hendrick Jellesen or Johannes Jansen be Chosen Assistants of the said Ward by the Majority of the Inhabitants of the same the forme Whereof was as above Mutatis Mutandis

This day my Marshall Informed me that he served the Above Warrants upon Gysbert Vaninburgh and read the same to him who Answered he would Waite on the Mayor but would Not Medle with the scrutiny or to that purpose and that he also served the same Warrants on Capt. Cornelius D: Peyster [456] Who read one of them twice Over and that he Asked the said Cornelius D: Peyster what Answer he should Return to the Mayor and pressed him for an Answer who plainly told the said James Wright (my Marshall) that he would have Nothing to doe with itt of all which the said James Wright is ready to make Oath.

October 24th This Morning Gysbert Vaninburgh Came to my house to whom I told I had Appointed him with Others to scrutiny the Poll of Election of Alderman and Assistant and Other Officers of the said Ward made the twenty ninth day of september last or to that Effect who Answered he desired to be Excused he would not scrutiny or words to that Effect on which he went Away.

Capt Cornelius D: Peyster did not this day Appear before me to make the scrutiny Pursuant to my Warrants to him directed.

This day Came before me and Mr Rip Van Dam and Mr Matthew Ling who were then Making the scrutiny of the Election of the south

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Ward for Alderman Assistant &c: Jurion Whitfield Johannes Meyer Andries Teneyck and Harman Rutgers being persons who on the twenty Ninth day of Sep^{br} last gave their Vote for Nicholas Rosevelt to be Alderman of the said Ward and Hendrick Jelleson to be Assistant and then before us Voluntary Acknowledged they were not of the Age of twenty One Years And also att the same time Albertus Holst Appeared before us and Acknowledged his place of Residence was in the Dock Ward of this Citty having Removed thither Eight days before the said day of Election.

October 25th [457] This day M^{r} Rip Van Dam and M^{r} Matthew Ling Returned unto me my Warrant unto them and Others directed Endorssed in these Words following (Viz^{t})

In Pursuance of the Within Warrant wee whose Names are subscribed att the day and place within Mentioned have Inspected and scrutiny'd the Voices of the Inhabitants of the south Ward of the Citty of New Yorke and doe Certifie that the within Named Brandt Schuyler is Chosen Alderman by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants aforesaid as Appears by A Certaine Schedule or List of their Names hereunto Annexed.

Rip Van Dam Matthew Ling

A List of the names of all those who voted Brandt Schuyler Alderman for the year Ensueing for the south Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on y^{e} 29th day of Sep^{br} Anno Dom 1701

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen.

1. Rip Van Dam
2. Stephen De Lancey
3. Frederick Phillips
4. Andrew Stuckey
5. John Ellison
6. Luycas Kiersteade
7. Jacobus Kiersteade
8. Francis Vincent
9. Christopher Hoghlandt
10. William Howard
11. Caleb Cooper
12. John Watson
13. John Pero
14. Dirck Hoghlandt
15. Thomas Ives
16. Thomas Roberts
17. Michael Hawden
18. Paul Richard
19. Andrew Teller
20. Hendrick Metslaer
21. Thomas Howarden
22. Johannes Jansen
23. Ouzeel Van swieten
24. Giles Gaudineau
25. Benjamin Aske
26. Robert Skelton
27. Anthony Farmer
28. Elias Peltreau
29. Augustus Jay
30. Francis Huling
31. Edward Antill
32. John sheppard
33. William Galt
34. Matthew Ling
35. Isaac Fernandas Dias
36. George Hulgrove
37. Richard Stoakes
38. Joseph Harwood

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39. John Pelletreau
40. John Le Chevalier
41. Henry Kemball

Inhabitants who pay Taxes.

1. Walter Thong
2. Claude Brueys
3. Thomas Davenport
4. John Magnon
5. Robert Parkinson

Inhabitants Taxable.

1. William Simms
2. Samuell Wattson
3. John Finch
4. Oloffe Van Cortlandt
5. William Peartree
6. William Smith
7. William Hill

Inhabitants Neither free nor paying Taxes.

1. Robert Steuart
2. Archibald Morris
3. Thomas Rittoon
4. Hugh Gray
5. Claude Cherry

Inhabitants under age by Confession.

1. Gabriell Brousard

RIP VAN DAM.
MATTHEW LING.

[458] A List of the Names of all those who voted Nicholas Rosevelt Alderman for the year Ensueing for the south Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of Sepbr Anno Domi 1701

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen.

1. Pieter De Riemer
2. Gysbert Vaninburgh
3. Harman Rutgers, senr
4. Jacob Mauritz
5. Casper Stymetz
6. Cornelius D Peyster
7. samuell Beeckman
8. Hendrick Jelleson
9. Andries Meyer
10. Abraham Delanoy
11. ISaac D: Peyster
12. Warner Wessells
13. Jeremiah Westerhout
14. Andries Bresteade
15. Peter Van Duerse
16. Jasper Nessepott
17. John Wouterse
18. Peter Meyer
19. Dirck Teneyck
20. Johannes Van Vorst
21. John Wanshaer
22. Peter De Milt
23. ISaac Brassier
24. Johannes Van Geesen
25. Peter Lagrand
26. Thomas Weaver
27. Johannes Provoost
28. Jacob Blom
29. Samuell shahane
30. Peter symkam
31. Benjamin Wyncoop
32. Johannes Vanderhule
33. John Cannon
34. Abraham Van Duerse
35. ISaac Gouverneur
36. Barent Saunders
37. Abraham Utersall

Inhabitants who pay Taxes.

1. Victor Bicker
2. John Rycken

Inhabitants Neither free nor paying Taxes.

1. Egbert Bresteade
2. Charles Beeckman

Inhabitants under age by their own Confession.

1. Urion Whitfield
2. Johannes Meyer
3. Andries Teneyck
4. Harman Rutgers, Junr

Inhabitant of Another Ward by Confession.

1. Albertus Holst

Inhabitant Freeholder Voted for himself.

1. Nicholas Rosevelt

RIP VAN DAM.
MATTHEW LING.

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October 25th [459] This day Mr Rip Van Dam and Mr Matthew Ling Returned unto me my Warrt unto them and Others directed Endorsed in these Words following (Vizt)

In Pursuance of the within Warrant wee whose Names are subscribed att the day and place within Mentioned have Inspected and scrutiny'd the Voices of the Inhabitants of the south Ward of the Citty of New Yorke and doe Certifie that the within Named Johannes Johnson is Chosen Assistant by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants aforesaid as Appears by A Certaine Schedule or List of their Names hereunto annexed.

Rip Van Dam Matthew Ling

A List of the Names of all those who Voted Johannes Johnson Assistant for the year Ensuing for the South Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of september Anno Dom 1701

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen.

1. Rip Van Dam
2. Stephen De Lancy
3. Frederick Phillips
4. Andrew Stuckey
5. John Ellison
6. Luycas Kiersteade
7. Jacobus Kiersteade
8. Francis Vincent
9. Christopher Hoghlandt
10. William Howard
11. Caleb Cooper
12. John Wattson
13. John Peroa
14. Dirck Hoghlandt
15. Thomas Ives
16. Thomas Roberts
17. Michael Harding
18. Paul Richard
19. Andrew Teller
20. Hendrick Metslaer
21. Thomas Howarden
22. Brandt schuyler
23. Ouzeel Van swieten
24. Giles Gaudineau
25. Benjamin Aske
26. Robert Skelton
27. Anthony Farmer
28. Elias Peltreau
29. Augustus Jay
30. Francis Huling
31. Edward Antill
32. John sheppard
33. William Galt
34. Matthew Ling
35. Isaac Fernandas Dias
36. George Hulgrove
37. Richard Stoakes
38. Joseph Harwood
39. John Pelletreau
40. John Le Chevalier
41. Henry Kemball

Inhabitants who Pay Taxes.

1. Walter Thong
2. Claude Brueye
3. Thomas Davenport
4. John Magnon
5. Robert Parkinson

Inhabitants Taxable.

1. William simms
2. Samuell Wattson
3. John Finch
4. Oloffe Van Cortlandt
5. William Peartree
6. William Smith
7. William Hill

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Inhabitants neither free nor paying Taxes

1. Robert Steuart
2. Archibald Morris
3. Thomas Rittoon
4. Hugh Gray
5. Claude Cherry

Inhabitant under age by Confession.

1. Gabriell Broussard

RIP VAN DAM.
MATTHEW LING.

[460] A List of the Names of all those who Voted Hendrick Jelleson Assistant for the year Ensueing for the south Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1701

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen.

1. Pieter D. Riemer
2. Guysbert Vaninburgh
3. Harman Rutgers, Senr
4. Jacob Mauritz
5. Casper Stymetz
6. Cornelius D: Peyster
7. Samuell Beeckman
8. Hendrick Jelleson Voted for himselfe
9. Andries Meyer
10. Abraham Delanoy
11. ISaac D: Peyster
12. Warner Wesells
13. Jeremiah Westerhout
14. Andries Bresteade
15. Peter Van Duerse
16. Jasper Nessepott
17. John Wouterse
18. Peter Meyer
19. Dirck Teneyck
20. Johannes Van Vorst
21. John Wanshaer
22. Peter De Milt
23. ISaac Brazier
24. Johannes Van Geezen
25. Peter Lagrand
26. Thomas Weaver
27. Johannes Provoost
28. Jacob Blom
29. Samuell souhane
30. Peter symkam
31. Benjamin Wyncoope
32. Johannes Vanderhule
33. John Cannon
34. Abraham Van Duerse
35. Isaac Gouveneur
36. Barent saunders
37. Abraham Uytersalen
38. Nicholas Rosevelt

Inhabitants who pay Taxes.

1. Victor Bicker
2. John Rycken

Inhabitants neither free nor paying Taxes.

1. Egbert Bresteade
2. Charles Beeckman

Inhabitants under age by their own Confession.

1. Jurion Whitfield
2. Johannes Meyer
3. Andries Teneyck
4. Harmanus Rutgers, Junr

Inhabitants of Another Ward by Confession.

1. Albertus Holst

RIP VAN DAM.
MATTHEW LING.

October 27th

[461] This day I sent for Mr David Provoost and Acquainted him that this day I designed to have A scrutiny made of the Election of the West Ward And in Order thereunto Required of him the Poll of the said Election who Answered he would not give itt me I told him I must

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then proceed without itt who Answered I might but used many Menacing Expressions to me telling me I had no power soe to doe that itt was Already determined by the Common Council And that their was no Averring Against A Record bidding me have A Care what I did that I Should Answer itt Another time or be Called to Account for itt or to that purpose And several such like Expressions, I desired he would be present att the Making the scrutiny to see that Justice was done who Answered No he would Not Meddle with itt or to that Effect. he demanded of me to Call A Common Council this Afternoon I told him if the Aldermen and Assistants whose Returns are not Controverted would be sworne before me According to the Usage of this Citty I would Call A Common Council And would Act with them in all such Matters as Might Conduce to the publick peace and Benefitt of this Citty or to that Effect and also that I had often Offered this before to which he Answered they would not doe itt or to that purpose And Again used Menacing Language to me and Afterwards went Away.

Afterwards I Issued two Warrants directed to Mr John Barbarie Dirck Vanderburgh Jacobus Goelett and Isaac Sloover this day to make A scrutiny of the said Election of the West Ward before me and to Certifie to me who is Elected Alderman and Assistant of the said West Ward by Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants of the same in the same forme of the Warrant directed to Mr Rip Van Dam Mr Matthew Ling &c: Mutatis Mutandis

[462] This day I sent for Mr Recorder and desired he would be present att the making the scrutiny of the Election of the West Ward who Answered he Could not that itt was Contrary to his Oath or to that purpose and soe went away

This day Jacobus Goelett Appeared before me and told me he Could Not Attend the service of the scrutiny that he did not think fitt to meddle with that which is Already decided or to that purpose and went Away.

October 28th This day ISaac Sloover Came to me att my house and desired to be Excused from Making the scrutiny saying itt was Already done and that he Could Not doe itt Again or to that purpose on which he went Away.

October 29th This day Mr John Barbarie and Mr Dirck Vanderburgh Returned unto me one of my Warrants unto them & Others directed Endorssed in these words following (Viz:)

In Pursuance of the Within Warrant Wee whose Names Are subscribed att the day and place within Mentioned have Inspected and

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scrutiny'd the Voices of the Inhabitants of the West Ward of the Citty of New Yorke and doe Certifie that the within Named John Hutchins is Chosen Alderman by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants Aforesaid as Appears by A Certaine schedule or List of their Names hereunto Annexed

John Barberie
Dirck Vanderburgh.

[463] A List of the Names of all those who Voted John Hutchins Alderman for the year Ensueing for the West Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1702

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen (Vist)

1. Gabriel Menveile Omitted in the Copy of the Role delivered by word of Mouth by Capt David Provoost Junr
2. Balthazar Bayard
3. Dirck Vanderburgh
4. John Barberie
5. Gabriell Le Boyteaux
6. Andrew Forguett
7. William Robinson
8. Charles Denizeau
9. Rene Rezeau senr
10. Joseph Baker
11. Abraham Rezeau
12. William Mumford
13. John Russell
14. Bartholemew Laroux
15. Rene Rezeau Junr
16. John Perry
17. Edmond Thomas
18. Edward Cole
19. Peter Rezeau
20. Thomas Swing
21. John Peak
22. John Harris
23. James Beard
24. William Moss
25. Edward Burling
26. Peter White
27. John French
28. James Simson
29. Robert Anderson
30. Robert Edwards
31. Peter King
32. Joseph Wright
33. Conradus Vanderbeeck
34. John Hutchins
35. Robert Darkins
36. John Doblett Omitted in the Copy of the Role as Gabriell Minveile
37. Augustus Grassett
38. Jarvis Marshall
39. Nicholas Tenbroeck alias Hendrick
40. George Williams
41. Peter Daniells

Inhabitants who pay Taxes.

1. Patrick Cane
2. John Rix Omitted in ye: Copy of ye: Role as Gabriel Minveile
3. Francis Bouguett
4. Thomas Coburne
5. John Hain
6. Alexander Morrissett
7. Andrew John
8. John Colon
9. John Reynolds
10. Jeremiah Callcutt

Inhabitants who are Taxable.

1. Latanier
2. Henry Money
3. George Smith
4. Michaell Bolin
5. Peter sernave
6. Daniell Galliard
7. James Robertson
8. Gerrett Areson alias Darton
9. John Bowing
10. Edward Merretts
11. William Pemberton

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12. Thomas Jones
13. Matthew Pooley
14. John Lucas
15. William Richardson
16. John David
17. John Wood
18. servaes Merrisett
19. Daniell Curtis
20. Peter sorett

Inhabitants of Another Ward.

1. William Galt
2. Leconte
3. John Coutan
4. Thomas Oneby
1. Peter Roberts } no Votes
2. James White }
3. Daniell Shutt unknown

JOHN BARBERIE.
DIRCK VANDERBURGH.

[464] A List of the Names of all those who Voted David Provoost Alderman for the year ensueing for the West Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1701

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen (Vizt)

1. Paulus Turke
2. John Meade
3. Albert Leonard Degrave
4. Francis Vandercooke
5. Harmanus Van Gelder
6. Nicholas Blanck
7. Peter Jansen Mesier
8. John Douw
9. ISaac Slover
10. Enoch Hill denyed his Vote
11. Walter Hyer
12. Barent Bose
13. William Hyer
14. Gerrett Cousine
15. Cornelius Clopper
16. Jacob Van Guize
17. Henry Blanck
18. William Pearse
19. Peter symkam
20. Gerrett Ketletas
21. Jacob Collett
22. Peter Low
23. Leonard Degraw
24. Peter Willemse Roome
25. Evert Vanhooke
26. John Willemse Roome
27. Francis Cowenhoven
28. Johannes Van Gelder
29. Paulus Turke
30. Jacob Hassing
31. Stephen Buckenhoven

Inhabitants who pay Taxes.

1. Johannes Peters
2. Olvert Webbers
3. Matthew Van Vels
4. Cosine Gerretts

Inhabitants who pay no Taxes.

1. Arian Apple
2. Andries Douw
3. Arent ISaacs

1. Harmanus Benson lives in Another Ward
2. Jockham Beeckman unknown

JOHN BARBERIE.
DIRCK VANDERBURGH.

October 29th

[465] This day Mr John Barbarie and Mr Dirck Vanderburgh Returned my other Warrant unto them and Others directed indorssed in these words following Vizt

In Pursuance of the within warrant wee whose names are subscribed att the day and place within Mentioned have Inspected and scrutiny'd the Voices of the Inhabitants of the West Ward of the Citty

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of New Yorke and doe Certifie that the within Named Robert White is Chosen Assistant by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants Aforesaid as appears by A Certaine schedule or List of their Names hereunto annexed. John Barberie Dirck Vanderburgh

A List of the Names of all those who Voted Robert White Assistant for the Year Ensueing for the West Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of september Anno Dom 1701.

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen (Viz.)

1. Gabriell Minveile Omitted in the Copy of the Role delivered by word of Mouth by *by* Capt. Provoost Junr
2. Balthazar Bayard
3. Dirck Vanderburgh
4. John Barberie
5. Andrew Fouguett
6. William Robertson
7. Gabriell Leboyteaux
8. Charles Denizeau
9. Rene Rezeau senr
10. Joseph Baker
11. Abraham Rezeau
12. William Mumford
13. John Russell
14. Bartholemew Laroux
15. Rene Rezeau Junr
16. John Perry
17. Edmond Thomas
18. Edward Cole
19. Peter Rezeau
20. Thomas Swing
21. John Peake
22. John Harris
23. James Beard
24. William Moss
25. Edward Burling
26. Peter White
27. John French
28. James simson
29. Robert Anderson
30. Robert Edwards
31. Peter King
32. Joseph Wright
33. Conradus Vanderbeeck
34. John Hutchins
35. Robert Darkins
36. John Doblett Omitted in the Copy of the Role as Gabriell Minveile
37. Augustus Grassett
38. Jarvis Marshall
39. Nicholas Tenbroeke Al[ia]s Hendrick
40. George Williams
41. Peter Daniellse

Inhabitants who pay Taxes.

1. Patrick Cane
2. John Rix omitted in the Copy of ye: Role as Gabriel Minveile
3. Francis Bouguett
4. Thomas Cobourne
5. John Hain
6. Alexander Morisett
7. Andrew John
8. John Conlon
9. John Reynalds
10. Jeremiah Callcutt

Inhabitants who are Taxable.

1. Latanier
2. Henry Money
3. George Smith
4. Michael Bolin
5. Peter sernave
6. Daniell Gaillard
7. James Robertson
8. Gerrett Areson Al[ia]s Darton
9. John Bowing
10. Edward Merretts
11. William Pemberton
12. Thomas Jones
13. Matthew Pooley
14. John Lucas
15. William Richardson
16. John David
17. John Wood
18. servaes Morissett
19. Daniell Curtis
20. Peter sorett

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Inhabitants of Another Ward.

1. William Galt
2. Le Conte
3. John Coutan
4. Thomas Onebe

1. Peter Roberts } No Votes
2. James White }
3. Daniell Shutt unknown

JOHN BARBERIE.
DIRCK VANDERBURGH.

[466] A List of the Names of all those who Voted Peter Willemse Roome Assistant for the year Ensueing for the West Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1701

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen (Vis^t)

1. Paulus Turke
2. John Meade
3. Albert Leonard Degraw
4. Francis Vandercooke
5. Hermanus Van Gelder
6. Nicholas Blanck
7. Peter Jansen Mesier
8. John Douw
9. Isaac Sloover
10. Enoch Hill denyed his Vote
11. Walter Hyer
12. Barent Bosch
13. William Hyer
14. Gerrett Cousine
15. Cornelius Clopper
16. Jacob Van Guezen
17. Jenry Blanck
18. William Pearse
19. Peter symkam
20. Gerrett Ketletas
21. Jacob Coelett
22. Peter Louw
23. Leonard Degraw
24. Peter Willemse Roome
25. Evert Vanhooke
26. John Willemse Roome
27. Francis Cowenhoven
28. Johannes Van Gelder
29. Paulus Turke
30. Jacob Hassing
31. Stephen Buckenhoven

Inhabitants who pay Taxes.

1. Johannes Peters
2. Wolfert Webbers
3. Matthias Van Velse
4. Cosine Gerrettse

Inhabitants Taxable.

1. Johannes Low
2. Nicholas Daillie
3. Cornelius Turke

Inhabitants who pay no Taxes.

1. Arian Apple
2. Andries Douw
3. Arent Isaacs

1. Harmanus Benson lives in Another Ward
2. Jockham Beeckman Unknown

JOHN BARBERIE.
DIRCK VANDERBURGH.

October 29th [467] This day I sent for Capt Johannes D Peyster and told him I designed to have A scrutiny made of the Election of the East Ward to morrow morning And demanded of him the Poll thereof who Asked me if I had an Order of Common Council to demand itt I Answered No, Whereupon he told me he had itt but was not Obliged to deliver itt but by Order of Common Council by whom the former scrutiny had been Approved or to that Effect and that he did not think I had sufficient Authority to Medle with itt or to that purpose: on which I desired he

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would be present att the making the scrutiny who Answered No, I desired he would Appoint two men on his Party to make the scrutiny who Answered no itt was Already done or to that purpose on which he went Away. Memorandum before he went Away he told me Mr. Bayard had taken A Copy of the Poll.

This day I Issued two Warrants directed to Mr Lawrence Reade Benjamin Faneuil Barent Reynders and Johannes Hardenbrooke to Make A scrutiny to morrow Morning att Eight of the Clock before me att my house of the Election of the East Ward of the said Citty And to Certifie to me who is Elected Alderman and Assistant for the said Ward for the Year Ensueing by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants of the same in the Like forme of those to Mr Rip Van Dam & Mr Matthew Ling &c: Mutatis Mutandis

This day Mr Abraham Brasier Came to me and told me he was summoned to Attend the scrutiny of the East Ward but desired to be Excused that the scrutiny had been already made And that he would not medle with itt or words to that Effect upon which he went Away.

October 30th This day I sent for Mr Recorder and Acquainted him I designed this day to have A scrutiny made before me of the Poll of the Election of the East Ward and desired he would be present and Assist therein [468] Or see the said scrutiny made or to that purpose to which he Answered he Could not or would not that itt was Contrary to his Oath or to that purpose on which he went Away.

This day Barent Reynders Came to me and told me he was summoned to scrutiny the East Ward but desired to be Excused saying itt was once done Already and that he would not medle with itt or to that purpose on which he went Away.

This day Johannes Hardenbrooke Came before me on my summons to whom I told I had Appointed him by my Warrant to be one of the persons to make A scrutiny of the East Ward who Answered he desired to be Excused he understood there had been a scrutiny made Already for which Reason and several Others he did not think fitt to Medle with itt or words to that purpose vpon which he went Away.

November 1st This day Mr Lawrence Reade and Mr Benjamin Faneuil Returned One of my Warrants unto them and Others directed Endorssed in these words following (Viz:)

In Pursuance of the Within Warrant Wee whose Names are subscribed att the day and place within Mentioned have Inspected and scrutiny'd the Voices of the Inhabitants of the East Ward of the Citty

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of New Yorke and doe Certifie that the within Named William Morris is Chosen Alderman by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants Aforesaid as Appears by A Certaine schedule or List of their Names hereunto Annexed

Lawr Reade
Benjamin Faneuil

[469] A List of the Names of all those who Voted William Morris Alderman for the year Ensueing for the East Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of september Anno Dom 1701.

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen.

1. Daniell Crommelin
2. Samuell Burte
3. John Tuder
4. Phillip Wilkinson
5. Abraham Jonneau
6. James Harding
7. John Bachan
8. Benjamin Faneuil
9. Benjamin Dhariette
10. Joshua David senr
11. Joshua David Junr
12. Peter Thauvett
13. John Membrut
14. Andrew Laurau
15. Matthew Clarkson
16. Elias Rambert
17. Thomas Hooke
18. Richard sackett
19. Samuell Mynders
20. George stanton
21. Peter Morin
22. Ebenezer Willson
23. Thomas Adams
24. Theunis Dekey
25. Thomas Child
26. William Anderson
27. Jeremiah Tothill
28. Daniell Butts
29. John David senr
30. John David Junr
31. Henry Francis
32. George Norton
33. Moses Gilbert
34. Daniell Maynard
35. Johannes Vansanta
36. Daniell Jaudine
37. Peter Bassett
38. John Stephens
39. Bartholemew Feurt
40. Jacob Bratt
41. Lawrence Reade
42. Burger Mynders
43. William Haddleston
44. William Leaths
45. Lawrence Cornefleau
46. Stephen Valleau
47. Stephen Jamain
48. Roger Baker
49. Peter Newkirke
50. Ezekiel Grazillier
51. Peter Ryckman
52. Thomas Carrell
53. Benjamin Blagrave
54. Daniell Latham
55. Charles Sleigh
56. Daniell Pouttreau
57. Michael Bassett
58. John Osborne Omitted in the Role taken by word of Mouth by Capt. D: Peyster
59. John Nicolls Omitted as above but give Oath before the Chiefe Judge that he Voted

Persons qualified as Above who voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. John Hutton
2. Edward Cox
3. John Davenport
4. John Brawdy

Inhabitants that pay Tax.

1. zebulon Carter
2. Daniell Targee

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3. Elias Neau
4. John Chollwell
5. Aman Bonnin
6. Jacob Rattier
7. Lerwis Rivard
8. Dennis Richard
9. John Benfield } both Omitted in ye list but Sworne before the Chiefe Justice they did Vote
10. Richard Cooper }
11. Daniell Toy } Omitted as above
12. William Barker }

Persons qualified as Above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. Benjamin Israell

Inhabitants Taxable.

1. Augustus Lucas
2. Phillip Jonneau
3. Andrew Aureau
4. John Moore
5. John Peddrick
6. Henry Hews
7. John Lafon
8. Robert Lettis Hooper
9. John Le Roux
10. James Desbrose
11. William Glencross
12. Peter Moutels
13. Ebenezer King
14. Jarvis Kendar
15. Isaac Vente sorselile
16. Daniell Eume
17. Peter Torchen
18. James Targe

Inhabitants that pay no Taxes.

1. Peter Bertonneau
2. Joseph Claytor
3. John Massiott
4. samuell Archambaud

Voted who are under Age.

1. Alexander Campbell

Voted who live in Another Ward.

1. William White

LAWR. READE.
BENJAMIN FANEUIL.

[470] A List of the Names of all those who Voted Capt Johannes D: Peyster Alderman for the year Ensueing for the East Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of september Anno Dom 1701

Inhabitants who are Freemen or Freeholders.

1. Isaac D Riemer
2. Cornelius Joosten
3. Gabriell Tomson
4. William Dowler
5. Jacobus Vanderspiegel
6. Cornelius Bulsinck
7. Clem Elsworth
8. Aron Blom
9. William Hellekar
10. Jacob Leisler
11. Joost Carlse
12. Johannes Elsworth
13. Andrew Abramse
14. Thomas Evans
15. Evert Pelse
16. Abram Abramse
17. Timothy Vanbursen
18. suert Olfertse
19. Barent Reynders
20. Ardrian Hoghlandt
21. Albert Vandewater
22. Daniell Devoor
23. Claes Gysbertse Bogaert
24. Lawrence Thomase
25. George Elsworth
26. Castor Luersen
27. William Beeckman
28. samuell Staats
29. John Joost
30. Isaac De Milt
31. John Langstraet
32. Castor Luersen Junr
33. William Elsworth
34. Jacobus De Warham

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35. John Martier
36. Gerrett Hyer
37. William Nazarett
38. Samson Benson
39. Zachariah syckells
40. Thomas Roberts
41. Otto Van Tyle
42. Francis Wessells
43. Peter Vantillborough
44. Peter Rose
45. Robert Walters
46. Johannes Vanderspiegel
47. Jacob Vantilborough
48. Olphert suerts
49. Lendert Huygen
50. Johannes Hardenbrooke
51. Dirck Benson
52. John Woodard
53. John Harris
54. William Vandewater
55. Harmen Meyer
56. Abraham Moll
57. Jacobus Collier
58. Johannes Paulse
59. Abraham Brazier
60. Capt. Johannes D Peyster Voted for himselfe.

Persons qualified as above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. servaes Vlierboom
2. Dirck Uijtenbogaert
3. Harman Degraw
4. Abraham Van Arnham
5. James Lee
6. Jacob Van Duerse
7. Mangle Janse Roll
8. Huybert Vandenburgh
9. Peter Bant
10. Justice Bush
11. John Bant Junr.
12. Claes Bogaert
13. Bartholemew Funk

Inhabitants who pay Tax.

1. Michaell Stevense
2. Albert De Vries

Inhabitants Taxable.

1. Jacob Hellekar
2. Johannes Provoost
3. Casper Tabor
4. Cornelius Dirckson
5. Isaac Bradt
6. William Beeckman Jr.
7. John schutt

Persons qualifyed as above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. Hendrick Oestrum
2. Jacob Stilla

Inhabitants Taxable.

1. Abraham Kermer
2. John Hendrickse
3. Matthew Benson

Persons qualified as Above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. John Manglese

Persons that Voted who live in Another Ward.

1. Johannes Beyvanke
2. Jonathan Provoost
3. John Brewer Al[ia]s Douw

Persons who Voted who are Apprentices and under age.

1. Johannes Beeckman by Confession
2. Barent Martlers Do
3. John Van Clyffe by Record
4. Stophel Elsworth Junr Do

Persons incerted in their List who did not Vote & is under age.

1. John Dallie

LAWR READE.
BENJAMIN FANEUIL.

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Novbr 1st [471] This day Mr Lawrence Reade and Mr Benjamin Faneuil Returned Another of my Warrants unto them and Others directed Endorssed in these words following (Vizt)

In Pursuance of the within Warrant wee whose Names are subscribed att the day and place within Mentioned have Inspected and scrutiny'd the Voices of the Inhabitants of the East Ward of the Citty of New Yorke And do Certifie that the within Named Jeremiah Tothill is Chosen Assistant by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants aforesaid as Appears by A Certaine schedule or List of their Names herunto Annexed.

Lawr Reade Benjamin Faneuil

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen.

1. Daniel Crommelin
2. samuell Burt
3. John Tuder
4. Phillip Wilkinson
5. Abraham Jonneau
6. James Harding
7. John Bachan
8. Benjamin Faneuil
9. Benjamin Dhariette
10. Joshua David
11. Jo[s]hua David Junr
12. Peter Thauett
13. John Mambrue
14. Andrew Laurau
15. Matthew Clarkson
16. Elias Rambert
17. Thomas Hooke
18. Richard sackett
19. samuell Mynders
20. George Stanton
21. Peter Morin
22. Ebenezer Willson
23. Thomas Adams
24. Thennis Dekey
25. Thomas Child
26. William Anderson
27. William Morris
28. Daniell Butts
29. John David
30. John David Junr.
31. Henry Francis
32. George Stanton
33. Moses Gilbert
34. Daniell Maynard
35. Johannes Vansanta
36. Daniell Jaudine
37. Peter Bassett
38. John Stephens
39. Bartholemew Feurt
40. Jacob Bratt
41. Lawrence Reade
42. Burger Mynders
43. William Huddleston
44. William Leaths
45. Lawrence Cornefleau
46. Stephen Valeau
47. Stephen Jamain
48. Roger Baker
49. Peter Newkirke
50. Ezekiell Grazillier
51. Peter Ryckman
52. Thomas Carrell
53. Benjamin Blagrave
54. Daniell Latham
55. Charles Sleigh
56. Daniell Pouttreau
57. Michael Bassett
58. John Osburn Omitted in the Role taken by word of Mouth by Capt Johannes D: Peyster
59. John Nicolls Omitted as Above but gave Oath before the Judge that he Voted

Persons qualified as Above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belongs to the North Ward.

1. John Hutton
2. Edward Cox
3. John Davenport
4. John Brawdy

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Inhabitants yt. pay Tax.

1. Zebulon Caster
2. Daniell Targee
3. Elias Neau
4. John Chollwell
5. Aman Bonnin
6. Jacob Rattier
7. Lewis Rivard
8. Dennis Richard
9. John Benfield
10. Richard Cooper

both Omitted in the List but swore before the Chiefe Justice yt they did vote.

11. Daniell Toy omitted as Osburne
12. William Barker omitted as above

Persons qualified as above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. Benjamin Israell

Inhabitants Taxable.

1. Augustus Lucas
2. Phillip Jonneau
3. Andrew Aureau
3. Andrew Aurean
4. John Moore
5. John Peddrick
6. Henry Hews
7. John Lafon
8. Robert Lettis Hooper
9. John Laroux
10. James Debrosses
11. William Glencross
12. Peter Moutell
13. Ebenezer King
14. Jarvis Kindar
15. Isaac Vente de sorcelile
16. Daniell Fumee
18. James Tarjee

Inhabitants that pay no Tax.

1. Peter Berteneau
2. Joseph Claytor
3. John Massiott
4. Samuel Archambaud

Voted who are under age.

1. Alexander Campbell

Voted who live in Another Ward.

1. William White

LAWR READE
BENJAMIN FANEUIL

[472] A List of all the Names of those who Voted Abraham Brasier Assistant for the year Ensueing for the East Ward of the Citty of New Yorke on the 29th day of September Anno Doīn 1701

Inhabitants who are Freeholders or Freemen

1. ISaac D Riemer
2. Cornelius Joosten
3. Gabriell Tomson
4. William Dowler
5. Jacobus Vandespiegel
6. Cornelius Bulsinck
7. Clement Elsworth
8. Arent Blom
9. William Hellekar
10. Jacobus Leisler
11. Joost Carlse
12. Johannes Elsworth
13. Andrew Abramse
14. Thomas Evans
15. Evert Pelse
16. Abraham Abramse
17. Timothy Van Borsen
18. suert Olpherts
19. Barent Reynders
20. Adrian Hoghlandt
21. Albert Vandewater
22. Daniell De Voor
23. Claes Gysbert Bogaert
24. Lawrence Thomase
25. George Elsworth
26. Castor Luerse
27. William Beeckman
28. Samuell Staats
29. John Joosten
30. Isaac De Milt

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31. John Langstraet
32. Castor Luersen Junr
33. William Elsworth
34. Jacobus De Warham
35. John Marsier
36. Gerrett Hyer
37. William Nazarett
38. samson Benson
39. Zachariah syckells
40. Thomas Roberts
41. Otto Van Tyle
42. Francis Wessells
43. Peter Vantilborough
44. Peter Rose
45. Robert Walters
46. Johannes Vandespiegel
47. Jacob Vantilborough
48. Olphert suerts
49. Leonard Huygen
50. Johannes Hardenbrooke
51. Dirck Benson
52. John Woodard
53. John Harris
54. William Vandewater
55. Harman Meyer
56. Abraham Moll
57. Jacobus Collier
58. Johannes Poulse
59. Johannes D Peyster
60. Abraham Brasier Voter for himselfe

Persons qualified as above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. servaes Vlierbloom
2. Dirck Uyten Bogaert
3. Harman Degraw
4. Abraham Van Arnham
5. James Lee
6. Jacob Van Duerse
7. Mangle Janse Roll
8. Huybert Vandenburgh
9. Peter Bant
10. Justice Bush
11. John Bant Junr
12. Claese Bogaert
13. Bartholemew Vonck

Inhabitants yt pay Taxes.

1. Michaell Stevense
2. Albert De Vries

Inhabitants Taxable.

1. Jacob Hellekar
2. Johannes Provoost
3. Casper Tabor
4. Cornelis Dirickse
5. Isaac Bratt
6. William Beeckman Junr.
7. John schutt

Persons qualified as above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. Hendrick Oestrum
2. Jacob Stilla

Inhabitants not Taxable.

1. Abraham Kermer
2. John Hendrickse
3. Matthew Benson

Persons qualified as above who Voted in the East Ward but properly belong to the North Ward.

1. John Manglese

Persons who Voted that live in Another Ward.

1. Johannes Beyvank
2. Jonathan Provoost
3. John Brewer Al[ia]s Douw

Persons who Voted but are Apprentices & under age.

1. Johannes Beeckman by Confession
2. Barent Martlers Do
3. John Van Clyffe by Record
4. Stephen Elsworth Junr. Do.

Person Incerted in their List who did not Vote & is Under Age.

1. John Dallie

LAWR READE
BENJAMIN FANEUIL.

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November 10th

[473] This day I writt to Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder of the Citty of New Yorke in these words following (Vizt)

Mr Abraham Gouverneur

Their being sundry Urgent and Nessessary Affairs of this Citty which Very Much suffer for want of A settled Magistracy these Are to give You Notice that on Tuesday Morning the Eleaventh of November Instant I purpose to swear the New Magistracy for this Ensueing Year which service I desire you will not faile to be Assistant in

I am Sr Your friend & servant

Tho Noell

To Abraham Gouverneur ESqr
Recorder of the Citty of New Yorke

Mr Wright my Marshall did Return from the Recorder and Reported that he had delivered my letter to him who bid him goe back to the Mayor and tell the Mayor that he would give him an Answer in writing this Afternoon

This day I Received A letter from Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder of the Citty of New Yorke in these words following (Vizt)

Mr Mayor

New Yorke the 10th Novbr 1701

Having this Morning received your letter dated this day whereby you give me Notice that on Tuesday Next you purpose to swear the New Magistracy for the year Ensueing and you desire me not to faile to be present att itt In answer I am to tell you that I doe not Know that any Magistrates belonging to this Citty Are to be sworne unless the Treasurer be Accounted one of them yett I am not Ignorant of some dispute Concerning the same the which I hope the Next supream Court which will be held on the 25th Instant will End and I having the Gouvernours leave to goe to Nassaw Island to Morrow I Cannot Agree to such matters as you desire untill A [474] Determination att Law and Sd I supose you will Not proceed before that time.

I am your friend and servant

Abrah Gouverneur Recordr

To the Rt Worshipfull
Tho Noell ESqr Mayor of the Citty of New Yorke

Novbr 11th

This day I went from my house to the Citty Hall Attended by Phillip French Alderman of the Dock Ward and Brandt schuyler Alderman of the south Ward John Hutchins Alderman of the West Ward William Morris Alderman of

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the East Ward Johannes Jansen Assistant of the south Ward Robert White Assistant of the West Ward and Jeremiah Tothill Assistant of the East Ward (who by the scrutinys of the Poll of the Elections of the said Wards before me made I find to be Legally Chosen into the said Offices) and the Sheriff Town Clerke and Other Officers when I came Near to the Citty Hall Mr Johannes D: Peyster Mr David Provoost Mr Nicholas Rosevelt and Martin Clock ESqr Elected Alderman of the Outward Joyned me and went up with me into the Citty Hall And I having taken the Chair the said Johannes D Peyster David Provoost Nicholas Rosevelt and Martin Clock placed themselves on the Bench of Magistracy by me to whom I told they had no Right to sitt there, the said Johannes D: Peyster David Provoost & Nicholas Rosevelt Not being Legally Elected Aldermen Neither the said Martin Clock till such time as he was sworne before me as has been the Usage of this Citty in such Cases they Answered they were Legally Elected, and sworne by the Old Mayor and had Right to sitt their as Magistrates or words to that Effect I told them I should not Offer Any Violence to Remove them however I was Come thither to swear Brandt schuyler Alderman of the south Ward and Johannes Jansen Assistant of the same Ward John Hutchins Alderman of the West Ward and Robert White Assistant of the same Ward and William Morris Alderman of the East Ward and Jeremiah Tothill Assistant of the same Ward who I found were the persons Legally Elected into the said Offices by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants of the Respective Wards for which they were Elected And Accordingly Ordered William Sharpas the Town Clerke before me to Administer to them the Oaths According to the Usage of the said Citty upon which the said Johannes D: Peyster David Provoost Nicholas [475] Rosevelt And Martin Clock in Very Violent and Passionate Expressions said they protested Against my Arbitrary and Illegal proceedings & made A Great Noise and Clamour Notwithstanding I ordered the Town Clerke to proceed and Accordingly the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy were Administred to the said Brandt schuyler John Hutchins William Morris Johannes Jansen Robert White and Jeremiah Tothill who subscribed the Test and Association and Afterwards tooke the Oaths Appointed for the due Execution of their Respective Offices of Aldermen and Assistants and Accordingly tooke their places the said Johannes D: Peyster David Provoost Nicholas Rosevelt and Martin Clock Still sitting on the Bench.

After which done I Caused the Mayors Court to be Opened and

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Adjourned for A fortnight and then withdrew and to this last days Action You all or most of you are Witnesses.

An Act of Gen^{ll} Assembly was read Entituled an Act for Encouraging the Citty of New Yorke

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor doe Appoint such person as he Shall see Convenient for the Collecting the Revenue Arising to this Citty by Vertue of the said Act and that M^{r} Mayor be Accountable for the same to this Court.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held in the said Citty the 27th day of November Anno Dom 1701

Present Thomas Noell ESq^{r} Mayor

Brandt Schuyler
John Hutchins
Phillip French
William Morris
} ESq^{rs} Aldermen

Robert Lurting
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Johnson
} Assistants.

[476] M^{r} Mayor Acquainted this Court that Yesterday he was served with A Writt of Duces tecum which he produced & was read in these words following. (Viz^{t}) William the third by the Grace of God of England scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the faith &c: To Thomas Noell ESq^{r} Mayor of the Citty of New Yorke Greeting Wee Command and firmly Enjoyne you that all Causes Matters and Excuses Whatsoever laid Aside in Your own proper person You come before our Justices of our supream Court of Judicature for our Province of New Yorke held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Thursday morning being on the twenty seaventh day of this Instant Month of November bringing or Causing to be brought with You A Certaine Charter of the said Citty of New Yorke dated and Granted the twenty seaventh day of April one thousand six hundred Eighty Six by Thomas Dongan Governour of this Province Under his late Majesty King James the second in your Custody Remaining or in Default thereof Shall Show good Cause to the Contrary. And to doe and Receive what the said Court in that matter Shall Command and this by no means You Shall Omitt and have you there this writt Witness William Atwood ESq^{r} our Chiefe Justice of our said Court this six & twentieth day of November Anno Dom 1701 and the thirteenth Year of our Reign Clarkson.

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Upon which Mr Mayor desired the Resolution of this Court what Return he Should make to the said Writt or whether he Ought to pay Any Obedience thereunto.

Wherefore itt is RESOLVED by this Court that this Court will take time to Advise in this matter with Council learned in the Law Relating to the said Writt.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty of New Yorke the 28th day of November 1701

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor

Brandt Schuyler
John Hutchins
Phillip French
William Morris
Jeremiah Tothill
Robert Lurting
Johannes Johnson

} ESqrs Aldermen

} Assistants

[477] This Court having Advised with Council Relating to the Writt of Duces tecum directed to the Mayor are of Opinion that the said Writt is Improvidently Issued forth and therefore the Mayor Ought not to Carry the Charter of this Citty According to the Exigency of the said Writt.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the 23d day of December Anno Dom 1701

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor

Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder

Johannes D: Peyster
Brandt schuyler
Jacob Boelen
Martin Clock
John Hutchins
Phillip French

} ESqrs Aldermen

Abraham Mesier
Gerrett Onclebag
Robert Lurting
Johannes Jansen
Robert White

} Assistants

This day Brandt Schuyler ESqr who is Elected Alderman of the

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south Ward And Johannes Jansen Elected Assistant of the said Ward & John Hutchins Elected Alderman of the West Ward and Robert White Elected Assistant of the said Ward produced his Majestys positive Writts of Mandamus directed to the Mayor and Recorder to Admitt them into their Respective Offices and to Administer unto them the Oaths According to the Custom of the said Citty in such Cases &c: Upon which the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance & supremacy were Administred to the above Named Aldermen and Assistants who subscribed the Test and Association and afterwards tooke the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Accordingly tooke their places.

Johannes D: Peyster ESqr Alderman of the East Ward Jacob Boelen ESqr Alderman of the North Ward Martin Clock ESqr Alderman of the [478] Out Ward Mr Abraham Brasier Assistant of the East Ward Gerrett Onclebag Assistant of the North Ward & Mr Abraham Mesier Assistant of the Outward had the Aforesaid Oaths Administred to them and subscribed the Test and Association and Afterwards were sworne to the due Execution of their Respective Offices and that before they were sworne they did declare that they tooke the said Oaths with the Proviso that they might Not be any prejudice to the former Oaths by them taken for the Said Offices

Nicholas Rosevelt ESqr had the Oaths above Named Administred unto him & subscribed the Test and Association and was Sworne duely to Execute the Office of Chamberlain and Treasurer of this Citty for this Ensueing year.

Robert Anderson was Sworne Constable of the West Ward and Jacob Bratt Constable of the East Ward for the year Ensueing.

The following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty were read and Ordered & Established in full force and Vertue till further Order (Vizt)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
Concerning Freemen
Concerning Keeping the Streets Clean
Concerning Retailers of Liquors
surveyors of the Citty
To Prevent fire
Concerning Negroes
Concerning Engrossers & forestallers of the Markett
Concerning Assize of Bread
No Timber &c: to lye in the Streets

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Concerning Swine
Regulations Concerning Carmen
Officers to be Observant in the Execution of these Laws
Concerning Negroes and Indian Slaves.
[479] Common Council not to be Absent upon summons
Gaugers Packers and Cullers
Weights and Measures to be sealed
Masters of Vessells to give an Acct of their Passengers
Concerning Bucketts
Packers Marke on beef and Porke
Freemen to be Inrolled
Apprentices to be bound before the Mayor &c:
Ordinance for Paving &c:
Laws for the Government of the Dock & Slips &c:
Oath of Freeman
Regulations for the Markett
Law Agt firing Guns in the Streets
Law Relating to Apprentices
Who are Deemed Freemen
Freemen to be made by the Mayor and Aldermen.
Law to Prevent fire
Law Agt Hawkers and Pedlers
Law Against Emptying Odours in the Streets
Carmen Order About them
Law Agt Killing Cattle Anywhere but in the Slaughter houses
Law for the Keeping the Streets Clean
Swine prohibited Running in the Out Ward

ASSIZE OF BREAD

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt)

A Wheaten loafe of the finest flower to weigh Eleaven ounces for three halfe pence

A Wheaten Loafe the Coursest bran only taken out and not Otherwise to weigh two pounds ten Ounces for four pence halfe penny wheat being att five Shilings and three pence ℔ Bushell &

ORDER'D that all Bakers within this Citty doe take Notice hereof and bake their bread Accordingly

[480] ORDERED that Mr Nicholas Rosevelt Treasurer of this Citty doe demand of Evert Beyvanke ESqr late Treasurer of the said Citty all Books papers Muniments and Other writings Relating to this Corpora-

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tion and that he give him A Receipt for the same And make Report of his Actings herein with all Convenient Expedition.

The Mayor Acquainted this Court that he had Appointed Thomas Weaver ESq^r To Receive the duty Arising to this Citty by Vertue of an Act of Gen^ll Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act for the Encouraging the Citty of New Yorke which by this Court is Approved, and the said Thomas Weaver ESq^r is hereby Accordingly Appointed Receiver of the duty Aforesaid and that the Mayor and Recorder doe Agree with him what sallary he Shall have for the same.

The Mayor Acquainted this Court that some persons from Harlem had desired him to Administer an Oath unto them for holding A Court att Harlem for determining of petit Trespasses under fourty Shilings. ORDERED the Inhabitants of Harlem doe produce to this Court on Munday Next what Right they have to hold such A Court.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the 29^th day of December Anno Dom 1701

Present Thomas Noell ESq^r Mayor
Abraham Gouveneur ESq^r Recorder

ESq^rs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
Brandt Schuyler
Jacob Boelen
Martin Clock
John Hutchins
Phillip French

Assistants:
Abraham Brazier
Abraham Mesier
Robert Lurting
Gerrett Onclebag
Robert White
Johannes Jansen

[481] ORDERED that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Boelen Alderman Schuyler M^r Lurting M^r Jansen or any three of them be A Committee to lay before this Court the State of the Dock of this Citty with all Convenient Expedition and that they have power to send for persons and papers relating thereunto

ORDER'D that M^r Mayor doe take Care to have the Court Room in this Citty Hall made Convenient for the Court to sitt in this winter and that he Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof

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The Treasurer of this Citty waited upon this Court & Reported he had served the late Treasurer with the Order made last Common Council who told him the Books and papers of this Citty in his hands would be stated in Eight or ten days time and be ready to be delivered According to the said Order.

January 21th 1701[-2] This day the Mayor and Recorder Administred an Oath to Adolph Meyer Isaac De la Metie and Johannes Waldron duely and faithfully to Execute their Office of Overseers of Harlem.

February ye 11th 1701-2 This day Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder of the Citty of New Yorke and William Sharpas Town Clerke and Clerke of the peace of the said Citty and County Received New Commissions for their Respective Offices and before the Honble John Nanfan ESqr Lieut. Governour & Commander in Chiefe of the Province of New Yorke and in the presence of Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor of this Citty tooke the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy and subscribed the Test and Association and were also sworne to the due Execution of their Respective Offices

[482] THE RECORDERS COMMISSION

WILLIAM THE THIRD by the Grace of God of England scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the faith &c: Greeting Wee Reposing ESpeciall trust and Confidence in the Learning fidelity prudence Circumspection and Loyalty of our Trusty and Well beloved Abrā: Gouverneur ESqr of our speciall Grace Certain Knowledge And Meer Motion have Given Granted and by these presents doe give and Grant unto the said Abrā Gouverneur ESqr the Office of Recorder of the Citty of New Yorke wee doe Name make Create and Ordaine by these presents To HAVE & TO HOLD Exercise and Enjoy the said Office of Recorder of our Citty of New Yorke unto him the said Abraham Gouverneur ESqr during our pleasure and further wee have given and Granted and by these presents doe give and Grant unto the said Abrā Gouverneur all & singular such and the like fees Rights powers and preheminences perquisitts profitts and Advantages for and in Respect of ye Execution of the said Office as any Recorder of our Citty of New Yorke heretofore have of Right taken Received or Enjoyed for the Exercise of this said Office To Have Receive perceive & Enjoy the

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same unto the said Abraham Gouverneur ESqr According to the Intent and Meaning of these our Letters Patents. WITNESS Our trusty and well beloved John Nanfan ESqr Lieut Governeur And Commander in Chiefe of our Province of New Yorke and the Territories depending thereon in America in Council att New Yorke this tenth day of february in the thirteenth Year of our Reign Ao 1701[-2] M Clarkson secry.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 18th day of March Anno Dom 1701-2

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
Jacob Boelen } ESqrs Aldlermen
Martin Clock
[483] Abraham Brasier
Abraham Mesier } Assistants.
Robert Lurting

ORDERED that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty which were Established on the twenty third day of December last be Continued and Remaine in full force and Vertue till further Order.

ORDERED that Mr Recorder Aldermen Boelen Mr Lurting and Mr Jansen or any three of them be A Committee to lay before this Court the State of the Dock of this Citty and that they have power to send for persons and papers Relating thereunto and that they make Report of their proceedings therein unto this Court on or before this day seaven Nights.

ORDERED that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman schuyler Alderman Clock and Mr Brazier or any three of them be A Committee to Examine into the State of the Ferry of this Citty and to Examine into the Complaints of the ferry man and Reporte the same to this Court with all Convenient Expedition

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Abraham Gouverneur ESqr or Order the sum of fifteen Pounds Eighteen Shilings Curr Money of New Yorke out of the first Tax to be Raised in this Citty for the defraying the publick & Nessessary

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Charge of this Citty itt being for his service as a Member of this Citty in Gen^{ll} Assembly & speaker of the house of Representatives from the Nineteenth day of August last past to the Eighteenth day of October then Next following Eight sundays being Deducted

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Johannes D: Peyster ESq^{r} or Order for serving in Gen^{ll} Assembly [484] As A Member for this Citty from the second day of April last past to the Nineteenth day of the same Month being *being* in all Eighteen days three sundays being deducted is sixteen days and that he pay the same out of the Tax to be raised for the defraying the publick And Nessessary Charge of this Citty as the Law directs.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Johannes D: Peyster or Order the sum of fifteen pounds Eighteen Shilings Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke out of the first Tax to be Raised in this Citty for the Defraying the publick and Nessessary Charge of the same itt being for his service as one of the Representatives of this Citty from the Nineteenth day of August last past to the Eighteenth day of October then Next following Eight sundays being deducted.

ORDER'D that all such persons as hereafter Shall be summoned or Warned to doe their duty on the Constables Watch of this Citty and Shall Neglect or Refuse the same Shall for Every such Offense forfeit the sum of six Shilings Current Money of New Yorke to be Recovered before the Mayor Recorder or any one of the Justices of the peace of the said Citty and to be Levyed by Warrant under the hand and seale of any one of them by distress and sale of the goods and Chattells of the person who shall make such Default And that the said forfeiture be for the use of the said Constable & Watch.

ORDERED that Isaac D: Riemer ESq^{r} late Mayor of this Citty doe bring in his Acc^{t} to this Court of what Money he has disbursed to Council and Other Charges Relating to the Return of Aldermen Pursuant to an Order made the 10th day of October last past in Order to be Approved by this Court.

[485] ORDERED that M^{r} Evert Beyvanke late Treasurer of this Citty doe deliver the Books and papers of this Corporation to the present Treasurer On or before the twenty fifth day of this Instant Month of March on pain of being prosecuted att Law for his Neglect or Refusal thereof.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the 12th day of May Anno Dom 1702

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor
Abraham Gouverneur ESqr Recorder
Johannes D: Peyster
Brandt Schuyler
Jacob Boelen
Martin Clock
Phillip French
} ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Brasier
Robert Lurting
Abraham Mesier
Johannes Jansen
Robert White
} Assistants.

The following Address to his Excellency was read and Approved & ORDERED to be Ingrossed & presented Accordingly

To His Excellency the Right Honble Edward Lord Cornbury Capt Genll and Governour in Chiefe of his Majesties Province of New Yorke and Territories depending thereon in America and Vice Admiral of the same &c:

The Humble Address of the Mayor Al[d]ermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke

[486] May itt please your Excellency

In the Name and on the behalfe of the Freemen and Inhabitants of this his Majesties Corporation and Citty of New Yorke Wee doe heartily Congratulate your Lordships safe Arrival in this your Government & as wee Cannot Entertain to Gratefull A sence of his Majesties Royall bounty and favour to us in making soe Excellent and prudent A Choice in sending your Lordship A person of so great and Noble birth Skillfull in the Art of Warr and Acquainted with the English Laws and Government to heal our Divisions to secure us from the danger of the Enemy Abroad and Cause us to flourish with peace plenty and Tranquility att home and be an Example & Pattern of piety And Vertue in the midst of us soe Shall we Studiously Endeavour to Demonstrate and Express that Gratitude in our ready Complyance with Everything in our power which Your Lordship in your great prudence and wisdom Shall Judge Nessessary and Contribute to his Majesties service and Honour and the preservation & defence of this and his Other Territories and that may make your Lordship happy and

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Easy in the Exercise of an Impartial Administration of Justice Over the whole Province. That God in his Infinite Mercy and goodness will Vouchsafe to bless his Majesty with A long And happy Reign Over us and your Lordship in the Exercise and Enjoyment of the Government of this Province and strengthen & Enable us in the ready discharge of our duty and Obedience is the fervent prayer of

Your Lordships most dutifull
humble servants.

ORDERED that all the soldiers of his Majesties Garrison Forte William Henry in this Citty that are his Majesties Natural borne subjects be made freemen of this Corporation Gratis Any former Law to the Contrary Notwithstanding and that Mr Mayor Administer unto them the Oath of A Freeman and Grant them Certificates of the same under the seale of the Citty Accordingly.

[487] RESOLVED that the sum of five pounds be paid to Mr Phillip French for his Relinquishing his Lease of the Dock and that the same be paid him out of the Revenue of the Dock and the said Phillip French did Accordingly Relinquish the said Lease and is satisfied this Corporation doe demise the same to any Other person or persons

ORDERED that Alderman schuyler Alderman Boelen and Mr Jansen be A Committee to Lett the Dock to farme not Exceeding seaven years and that there be Covenants in the Lease that the Lessee Shall Clean the same and put all the Wharfs in good and sufficient Repair and soe maintain Keep and deliver them up att the Expiration of the said Lease and also that the Lessee Shall Clean the Slip.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the 26th day of May Anno Dom 1702

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes D: Peyster
Brandt Schuyler
Jacob Boelen
Martin Clock
Phillip French

Assistants:
Robert Lurting
Abraham Brazier
Abraham Mesier
Johannes Jansen
Robert White

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[488] sampson Shelton Broughton ESq^r this day produced his Majesties Commission under the greate seale of this Province for the Office of Recorder of this Citty which was read Whereupon the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament instead of the Oaths of Alleigance & supremacy were Administered unto him who afterwards subscribed the Test and Association and was also sworne to the due Execution of the said Office of Recorder of this Citty and Accordingly tooke his place.

M^r Mayor produced to this Court A letter from the Clerke of the Council by Order of his Excellency and Council Requiring him to Number the men women Children and slaves that are within this Citty and County and also the Number of Men from sixteen years of Age to sixty and that he Should signifie the same in six weeks After the date thereof which letter is dated the 18^th^ Instant. wherefore he desires the Advice of this Court of the most proper methods to be taken for the Effectual doing thereof. Itt is therefore ORDER'D by this Court that the Alderman Assistant and Constable of Each Respective Ward within this Citty doe forthwith take Care to Number all the men women and Children in their Respective Wards According to the Method sent to the Mayor for the doing thereof and that they make Return unto the Mayor on or before the tenth day of June Next Ensueing.

The Committee Appointed for the farming of the Dock & Slips of this Citty doe Report that they have farmed the Dock & Slips of this Citty To James Spencer of the said Citty Carpenter for the sum of twenty five pounds Current Money of New Yorke upon the Conditions following (Viz^t^)

CONDITIONS for farming the Dock and Slips of the Citty of New Yorke att the sign of the Kings Arms Near the Custom house upon Wensday the 20^th^ day of May Anno Dom̄ 1702 att two A Clock Afternoon

That the Dock and slips of the Citty of New Yorke Shall be Lett to farme for the Terme of seaven years Commencing from the first day of [489] November 1701 on the Conditions following *following* (Viz^t^)

That the farmer thereof within the space of Eighteen Months Next Ensueing the date hereof Shall att his own proper Cost and Charge well and sufficiently Clean the said Dock and slip which runs into the Dock of all the Mudd Dirte stones soyle and filth therein soe deep as to A sandy Bottom and during the whole time of the said Lease Shall soe Keep the same clean and att the Expiration thereof to surrender and deliver up the said Dock and slip well and sufficiently Cleaned from all

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the Mudd soyle and filth as Aforesaid unto the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke or their Assigns

That the farmer thereof within the space of Eighteen Months Next Ensueing the date hereof Shall att his own proper Cost and Charge make Erect and build or Cause to be made Erected And built the Wharfs Next the River Inclosing the said Dock one foot and ahalfe English Measure higher then they now are in the highest place thereof with good and sufficient stockadoes and timber suitable and Nessessary for that service to begin att the Privy house and from thence the whole length of the said Wharfs to White hall and after the said Wharfs are made soe much higher with Stockadoes &c: the said purchaser Shall Cause the same to be well Loaded with Ballast Gravell or Stones and upon the said Ballast Gravell or Stones the said Wharfs to be well Covered Over with the Dock Mudd to secure the said Wharfs from being broken or Damnifyed by the Violence of any Storme or sea and the Other parte of the said Wharfs Inclosing the said Dock Next to the River the farmer Shall also well & sufficiently Repair and also Shall Cause Eight substantial posts to be fixed on the said Wharfes att thirty or fourty foot distance each from the Other Convenient for the haling Down Vessells thereby to Creen. and during the whole Terme of the said Lease Shall Keep all the said Wharfs well and soe well & sufficiently Repaired Amended and Maintained in good and sufficient manner plight and Condition [490] And att the Expiration of the said Lease Shall surrender and deliver up unto the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke or their Assigns said wharfs soe sufficiently built Amended Covered and Repaired in good and sufficient manner plight and Condition and Shall Repair and Amend the said Wharfs wth the Needfull and Nessessary Reperations soe often as he Shall be thereunto Required by the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke or their Assigns During the said Terme.

That the farmer Shall be Obliged to pay the Rent thereof to the Treasurer of the Citty of New Yorke by four Equal Quarterly payments Currant Money of this Province

That the farmer Shall be Obliged before the Execution of the Lease for the said Dock and slips to give Bond with sufficient sureties for such sum of Money as the Committee for farming the said Dock and slips Shall judge Needfull for the true performance of each Respective Covenant Contained in the said Lease.

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That if the Farmer Shall Neglect or Refuse to give Bond with sureties as Aforesaid for the performance of Covenants that then the said dock And slips Shall be again demised and if farmed for less then att first the first farmer Shall make good and pay the loss with all Charges and Expences and if farmed for more he to have no benefit thereby.

That the Farmer shall Receive all the profitts and Revenue of the Dock and slips which hath Accrued since the first day of November last past (the sum of five pounds New Yorke Money only Excepted) and that Mr Evetts Shall Accompt with the former for the same.

That the farmer Shall have Liberty to Erect Crains in Convenient [491] Places upon the Demised premisses and Receive the profitts thereof during the said Terme.

I James Spencer of the Citty of New Yorke Carpenter doe hereby Acknowledge to have farmed the before Mentioned Dock and Slips the day and Year above written on the above Conditions for the sum of twenty five pounds ℔ Annum Curr! Money of New Yorke Witness my hand the day and Year first above written

James Spencer.

Which Report is Approved and ORDERED the Mayor Execute A Lease Accordingly.

ORDERED that the Ordinance for paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within this Citty be put in Effectual Execution on or before the tenth day of August Next Ensueing and that the Alderman And Assistant of each Respective Ward within this Citty doe give the Inhabitants of their Respective Wards timely Notice thereof that the same may be Intirely Compleated within the time Aforesaid

WHEREAS his most sacred Majesty Among many Other princely favours Shown to this Province hath sent Over during the Late Warr A Considerable Number of forces to protect and secure us from the Insults of our Enemies the French of Canada and their Indians which forces for our further protection his Majesty has been Graciously pleased to Continue Amongst us. And Whereas all manner of Provisions and Apparell are much dearer in this Citty then in England whereby the said soldiers Cannot Conveniently subsist of their pay only but the most of them being Tradesmen which had they A Liberty to Exercise within this Corporation itt would not Only Enable them

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to live [492] Comfortably but Impede their dissertion and Encourage them in *them in* their duty and also others to List themselves in the said service And Whereas by the By Laws of this Corporation No person Whatsoever Can Keep Shop or Exercise Any handy Craft Trade or Occupation but such as are Freemen thereof under the penalty of five pounds for Each offence after warning given. Therefore this Court taking into Consideration the many signal favours Aforesaid and in token of their duty and Gratitude for the same doe hereby Resolve and Order that all the Officers and soldiers (who are his Majesties Natural born subjects belonging to his Majesties Garrison Forte William Henry within this Citty be made Freemen of this Corporation Gratis & ORDERED that the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen Administer unto them the Oath of A Freeman and Grant them Certificates thereof under the seale of the Citty and that the Town Clerke Register their Names as Freemen Accordingly Any former Law to the Contrary in Any wise Notwithstanding

WHEREAS This Court hath often Consisted of an Even Number and Matters have been Agitated Insomuch that this Court have been Equally divided whereby the publick business of this Citty has and may be much Retarded. Itt is therefore hereby RESOLVED that for the future if itt Should soe happen that this Court Should be Equally divided upon any Vote or debate that the parte of this Court on w^{ch} the Chiefe Magistrate Shall give his Vote Shall be y^{e} Conclusive Vote and the Entry of such Vote Shall be made Accordingly.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of ten pounds Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke for halfe years sallary as Clerke of this Court Ending the 14th day of April last past

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend M^{r} William Vezey or Order the sum of five pounds [493] Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for preaching before this Court in October last

ORDERED that M^{r} Mayor doe demand of Evert Bevvanke ESq^{r} late Treasurer of this Citty & of Cap^{t} ISaac D Riemer or of any Other person or persons all such Books papers and Accounts as they have in their Custody belonging to this Citty and make Reporte of his Actings herein to the Next Common Council.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Saturday the 27th day of June Anno Dom 1702

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Brandt Schuyler
Jacob Boelen } ESqrs Aldermen
Phillip French
Gerrett Onclebag
Robt Lurting } Assistants
Johannes Jansen

ORDERED that Thomas Weaver ESqr Collector of the duty Arising to this Citty by Vertue of an Act of Genll Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act Encouraging the Citty of New Yorke doe forthwith Acct for the same with the Mayor of this Citty and pay the Ballance thereof to the said Mayor. That if he Refuses soe to doe that the Mayor in the Name of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke take such proper Methods for Recovering the said Moneys out of his hands as Council Learned in the Law Shall Advise.

ORDERED that Mr James Evetts doe Collect the Revenue of this Citty Arising by Vertue of an Act of Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act for the Encouraging the Citty of New Yorke And that he Acct for the Profitts thereof from time to [494] time as this Court Shall direct.

The following Ordinance for the Keeping of the Streets Clean was three times read Approved & published after the Ringing of three Bells & ORDERED the same be forthwith printed.

AN ORDINANCE of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the Citty of New Yorke Convened in Common Council for the better Cleaning of the Streets, Lanes and Allyes of the said Citty.

FORASMUCH as the former Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty which have been made and published for the Cleaning & Keeping Clean of the Streets of the said Citty have been much Neglected And in many things are deficient whereby they will not Answer the End for which they were designed to the great Damage Annoyance and prejudice of all the Inhabitants of the said Citty. To the Intent therefore that all the Dunghills heaps of Dirt, Rubbish and Other filth and soil, which lies in the Respective Streets Lanes and Allies of this Citty be forthwith Removed and Carryed Away and for the better Keeping Clean the streets Lanes and Allyes of the said Citty for the future

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Be itt therefore Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen & Commonality of the said Citty Convened in Common Council and itt is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same That all and Every the Cittizens Freeholders house Keepers and Inhabitants living within the five Wards of this Citty on the southside of fresh water Shall on Every fryday in the week Either by themselves or servants Rake and sweep all the Dirte filth and soil before their Respective houses upon heaps & On the same day or on the saturday following Shall Cause the same to be Carryed Away and thrown into the River or some Other Convenient place under the Penalty of six Shilings for each Neglect Refusal or default.

And itt is further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that if [495] Any person or person Whatsoever Shall att any time hereafter throw or lay in any of the Streets Lanes and Allyes of this Citty any Carrian Gutts Garbidge Oyster Shells Ashes Dung Rubbish Grains or any Other Kind of filth or Dirt Whatsoever that may be Noisome to any of the Inhabitants of this Citty such person or persons soe offending Shall forfeit and pay for Every such Offense the sum of Six Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke and in Case such Offence Shall be Committed by Any servant or slave the Master or Owner of such servant or slave Shall pay the said forfeiture.

And be itt further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that the Respective Carmen within this Citty Shall have take and Receive for Carting every load of Dirte Rubbish filth or soyle out of the Streets of this Citty the sum of three pence Currant Money of New Yorke and if the said Carmen will load their Carts themselves. with the said Dirte Rubbish filth or soyl and Carry the same away that then the said Carmen Shall have take and Receive the sum of Six pence Curr! Money of New Yorke for Each Cart Load of Dirte Rubbish filth or soyle which they Shall fill and Carry away as Aforesaid to be paid them by the person or persons who Shall Imploy them to fill and Carry Away the same.

And be itt further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that if any Carman within this Citty Shall Neglect or Refuse to Carry Away out of Any of the Streets Lanes or Alleys of this Citty on the south side of fresh water Any Carrain Guts Garbage Oyster shells Dunghills ashes Dirte soyl and filth being thereunto required by Any of the Inhabitants of this Citty Shall for Every such Offense forfeit and pay the sum of ten Shilings Current Money of New Yorke

And be itt further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that all the Pains Penalties and forfeitures above Mentioned Shall be Recovered by Plaint before the Mayor Recorder or any of the Aldermen of the said Citty and Levyed by distress upon the goods and Chattells of the

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Defaulters and dispose of and paid to him or them who [496] shall give Information of the Defaults Aforesaid Any former Law or Usage of this Citty to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding. And the Sheriff High Constables and Petty Constables of this Citty Are Commanded and Required to take Effectual Care that this Law be forthwith put in Execution as they will answer for their Contempt att their Perills Dated att the Citty Hall the 27th day of June 1702 And in the first Year of the Reign of our soveraign Lady Anne by the Grace of God of England scotland France and Ireland Queen Defender of the faith &c: Thomas Noell Mayor By order of Common Council Will Sharpas Cl

Resolved that this Court in the Name of this Corporation doe Compliment his Excellency Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt Genll And Governour in Chiefe of this Province &c: with A Freedom of this Citty and that the Mayor Execute the same and Cause the seale to be Covered with A Gold Box. That Alderman Boelen doe make the said Box Convenient for the use and that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the Payment of the Charge thereof

Resolved that John Bridges Doctor of Laws Mr Robert Wilward Mr Charles Congreve Mr Edward Rich Mr Phillip Rookeby Mr William Lovell Mr John Freeman Mr John Pierson Mr Peter Fauconnier Mr Henry Swift Mr May Bickley Mr William Carter Mr Mott and such Others of the household as Came into this Province with his Excellency the Lord Cornbury be made Freemen of this Citty Gratis Any Law of this Corporation to the Contrary Notwithstanding Provided they be all her Majesties Natural borne subjects or Naturalized or Denizized as by the Charter of this Citty is Required

Resolved that all persons that are now dwellers within this Citty that are his Majesties Natural borne subjects or Naturalized or Deniziz'd that are poor and not able to purchase [497] Their Freedoms be made Freemen of this Citty Gratis & Order'd that the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen doe Administer unto such the Oath of A Freeman of this Citty and that the Mayor Execute Certificates thereof under the seale of the said Citty Any former Law of this Citty to the Contrary hereof Notwithstanding

Whereas James Spencer the farmer of the Dock of this Citty hath Complained that sundry Boats frequently Come into the Dock & Slips of this Citty and the Masters thereof Refuse to pay unto him the Customary Rates for Dockage & that before he can gett the Mayors Officer to summon them before the Mayor to Cause them to make payment as Aforesaid they weigh Anchor and are gone whereby he is defrauded

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of his Just dues to his Grivieous Damage and hath prayed the Aid of this Court in the premisses and that he may have Authority Granted to Attach the body of Any person that Shall Refuse to pay unto him the Customary Dockage due for Vessells Sloops and Boats which lye within the Dock or slips of this Citty and to Carry them before the Mayor in Order to have Judgment Agt them for the Customary Dockage due as Aforesaid. Itt is therefore hereby ORDAINED that the said James Spencer have power and the said James Spencer is hereby Authorized to Attach and bring before the Mayor of this Citty Any person or persons who is Indebted unto him for Dockage as Aforesaid in Order the said Mayor may Award Judgment and Execution for the same.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on saturday the 11th day of July Anno Dom 1702

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Brandt Schuyler
Jacob Boelen } ESqrs Aldermen
Phillip French
[498] Gerrett Onclebag
Robert Lurting
Johannes Jansen } Assistants
Robert White

ORDER'D that the Third Printed Law of this Corporation Called (Concerning Freemen) be Repealed and the said Law is hereby Repealed Accordingly.

ORDER'D that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty which were published the Eighteenth day of March last past be Continued in force till further Order the third printed Law Concerning freemen only Excepted which is Repealed.

ORDERED that no persons or persons Whatsoever within this Citty and Liberties doe Keep Shop or sell any goods or Wares by Retaile or Exercise Any handy Craft Trade or Occupation but such as are Freemen thereof or soe Admitted by the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen or by the Mayor or any three or more of the Aldermen (After Legal warning given) under the penalty of five pounds for Each Offence And all persons hereafter to be made free Shall pay as followeth Every Merchi Trader or Shop Keeper the sum of twenty Shilings & Every handy Craft Tradesman six Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke

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with Customary fees on being made free as Aforesaid for the use of this Citty and that such as are not able to pay for the same Shall be made free Gratis.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 23d day of July Anno Dom 1702

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Brandt Schuyler
Jacob Boelens } ESqrs Aldermen
Phillip French
[499] Gerrett Onclebag
Abraham Mesier
Robert Lurting } Assistants
Robert White
Johannes Jansen

The Petition of Roger Baker of this Citty Vintner was read setting forth that he is about to build in the smiths Street of this Citty where he now dwelleth A large house of Brick and Stone which will be of great beauty And Ornament to this Citty and to the said Street. And that for the more Regular building the said house upon A Line in the Front thereof the Petitioner will want A small Slip of Ground out of the said Street of twenty Inches broad begining att the Northwest Corner of the Petitioners said house and Running southerly Along the said Street about Eight foot to A point till itt Comes to Nothing, and also that he the Petitioner for the better Regulating the said building will Out of his own Ground add to the said Smiths Street A much larger piece of Ground towards the southermost End of his Said house to all which he has the Consent of his Neighbours as Appears by A Certificate under their hands Annexed to the said Petition. Therefore humbly prays this Court will Grant unto him the said Slip of Ground on the northwest Corner Aforesaid in lieu of that which the Petitioner will add to the said Street in Order to make the said Building Regular And Commodious. This Court having Maturely Considered the said Petition And Viewed the Ground prayed by the Petitioner and read the Certificate of the said Neighbourhood are of Opinion that the Granting the said Slip of Ground to the Petitioner will not be prejudicial to the publick or to Any private person that they Know of And doe therefore Order (Nemine Contra dicente) that the said Slip of Ground

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on the North West Corner of the said Roger Bakers house in the Front thereof in the smiths Street be Granted to the said Roger Baker According to the Condition of this Petition, That the surveyors lay itt out And that the Mayor Execute A Grant for the same Accordingly

[500] ORDER'D that the Front of the Citty Hall be forthwith pav'd. And That Alderman Boelen and Mr Onclebag be A Committee to have the Care of doing thereof Calling to their Assistance the surveyors of this Citty for the Regular laying out the same And that Mr Mayor doe disburst such Money as Shall be Expended thereon which Shall be paid him out of the Treasury of this Citty or Allowed on his Accompt.

WHEREAS the Books Accts and publick papers of this Corporation have been many times demanded of Mr Isaac D: Riemer and Mr Evert Beyvanke late Treasurer of this Citty which they have hitherto Refused or Neglected to deliver whereby this Citty Cannot discover what Rents and Moneys are due to the same or what the said Citty is Indebted to the great hurte and Damage thereof itt is therefore hereby ORDER'D & RESOLVED that if the said ISaac D: Riemer And Evert Beyvanke and such Others as have any Books Accts or Other publick papers of this Citty in their Custody and Shall not deliver the same to the Mayor of this Citty on or before the first day of August Next Ensueing Shall for such their Neglect or Refusal be prosecuted att Law & ORDERD that Mr Mayor and the Recorder doe fee such and soe Many Council as they Shall think fitt for the Effectual prosecution of the same in such Action or Actions as Council Learned in the Law Shall Advise

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday the 3d day of August Anno Dom 1702

Present Thomas Noell ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Brandt Schuyler
Jacob Boelen
Martin Clock
Phillip French

Assistants:
Abraham Brazier
Gerrett Onclebag
Johannes Jansen

[501] ORDER'D that Alderman Boelen and Mr Jansen be A Committee to Lett to farme the Old Markett house in the broad way to such per-

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son or persons and on such Conditions and Agreements as they Shall think Convenient Not Exceeding the terme of five years & Ordered that Upon their Report to the Mayor he Execute A Lease Accordingly for the same.

James Spencer the Farmer of the Dock of this Citty hath prayed A Slip on the West side of the Dock (which is of no use for Boats or sloops to Come into) may be filled up att his Own Charge and that he may have the Benefitt thereof during the terme of the said Lease ORDER'D that Alderman schuyler Alderman Boelen and Mr Onclebag be A Committee to Examine into the prayer of the Petitioner & Report to the Next Common Council what will be proper to be done therein.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Meeting of the Recorder Aldermen & Assistants ye 29th day of September Anno 1702

Present samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Phillip French ESqr — Alderman
Gerrett Onclebag, Johannes Jansen, Robert White — Assistants

Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this Citty and in their Absence to the Assistants of the same Wards for the Electing this day one Alderman two Assessors one Collector and One Petty Constable in each Respective Ward of the said Citty And two Collectors and two Petty Constables and four Overseers of the High ways for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Out Ward of the said Citty to serve in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing According to the usage Practice Custom Laws and Ordinances of this [502] Citty and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof att twelve of the Clock att noon to the Office of Town Clerke under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen or the Assistants According to the Tenour of the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Viz:)

Dock Ward	Jacobus V: Cortlandt	Alderman
	Robert Lurting	Assistant
	Lancaster symes, Gerrett Vanhorne	Assessors
	Hendrick Vanderhule	Collector
	Edward Marshall	Constable

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south Ward	John Corbett	Alderman
	Caleb Cooper	Assistant
	Stephen Richard, Augustus Jay	Assessors
	Samuell Beeckman	Collector
	John Sheppard	Constable
West Ward	William smith	Alderman
	Bartholomew Laroux	Assistant
	Peter King, Peter White	Assessors
	Conradus Vanderbeeck	Collector
	Jeremiah Callcut	Constable
North Ward	David Provoost	Alderman
	Jacob Van Nostrandt	Assistant
	Abraham Ketletas, Peter Jacobse	Assessors
	Bernardus Smith	Collector
	Johannes Vanderheyden	Constable
[503] Out Ward	Jacobus Dekey	Alderman
	Jan Hendrickse Brevort	Assistant
	Abraham Boeke	Assessor for the Bowry
	Hendricke Brevort	Collector for the Bowry
	Richard Moore	Constable for the Bowry
	Hendrick Van schaick, Samuell Frontyn	Overseers of the high ways
	Samuell Waldron	Assessor for Harlem
	Abraham Delamontagne	Collector for Harlem
	Jan Cornelisse	Constable for Harlem
	Barent Waldron, Adolph Meyer	Overseers of the Highways for Harlem
East Ward	Isaac D: Riemer	Alderman
	George Elsworth	Assistant
	Peter Roos, Justice Bush	Assessors
	Peter Ryckman	Collector
	Zachariah syckells	Constable

A Copy of An Order of Council was read wherein his Excellency the Capt Genll by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majtys Council was pleased to Nominate and Appoint Mr Phillip French Mercht to be Mayor Coroner Clerke of the Markett & Water Bayliff of the Citty of New Yorke for the year Ensueing and also Ebenezer Willson ESqr

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high Sheriff of the said Citty and County of New Yorke for the said Ensueing Year.

WHEREAS by the Charter of this Corporation itt is Directed that the High Constable be Appointed by the Mayor of the said Citty and that the Chamberlain Shall be yearly Chosen on the said feast day in the Citty Hall of this Citty by the Mayor Aldermen and Assistants or by the Mayor or three or more of the Aldermen and three or more of the Assistants of the said Citty for the time being and WHEREAS Almighty God hath for our Manifold sins Immorality & profaneness [504] been pleased to Visit us att this time with great sickness and Mortality whereby great Numbers of the Cittizens of this Corporation are Dead and Many att this time lye in A Languishing Condition to Avoid which Contagious and Malignant distemper great Numbers of this Citty have left their usual habitations and Retired into the Country. And WHEREAS the Mayor of this Citty now lyes upon the Point of death the Alderman of the south Ward being Already dead And the Rest of the Aldermen & Assistants Very sick or Else in the Country to Avoid this Pestilential distemper of soe dangerous A Consequence by reason of all which the Charter of this Citty Could not be Complyed with being Obstructed by the hand of God itt is therefore hereby Unanimously ORDERED and agreed that Mr Johannes Jansen be Chamberlain or Treasurer of this Citty for the Year Ensueing and he is hereby Elected and Appointed Chamberlain or Treasurer Accordingly for the said Ensueing year.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 14th day of October Anno Dom 1702

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

John Corbett
William Smith
Jacob Dekey
} ESqrs Aldermen

Caleb Cooper
Jacob Van Nostrandt
Bartholomew Laroux
Jan Hendrickse Brevort
} Assistants

This day being the Anniversary day of Swearing the New Mayor High Sheriff Aldermen Assistants Treasurer High Constable petty Constables &c: Thomas Noell ESqr the late Mayor being dead Phillip

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French ESq^r the Mayor Elect Attended by the Recorder Aldermen Assistants High [505] *High* Sheriff Town Clerke Assessors Collectors Constables and Other Officers According to the usual formality (His Excellency the Gov^r being upon the Frontiers at Albany) waited upon Gerrardus Beeckman samson Shelton Broughton and John Bridges ESq^rs three of her Majesties Council for this Province (being thereunto Authorized by his Excellency the Governour and Council) who Administred unto Phillip French ESq^r Mayor & Ebenezer Willson ESq^r high Sheriff the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy and the Test and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices & accordingly delivered unto them their Respective Commissions. Whereupon the Mayor Recorder Aldermen High Sheriff Assistants Town Clerke Collectors Constables and Other Officers went in formality to Trinity Church where the Reverend M^r William Vezey the Rector thereof preached A sermon suitable to the solemnity of the day which done they Returned to the Citty Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor and High Sheriff were published which done they all went up into the Court Room where the New Mayor Assumed the Chair and was presented with the Charter & seals of the Citty by the Recorder which done the Aforesaid Oaths And Test as also the Oath for the due Execution of their Respective Offices were Administred to John Corbett Alderman of the south Ward William smith Alderman of the West Ward Jacob Dekey Alderman of the Out Ward Caleb Cooper Assistant of the south Ward Jacob Van Nostrandt Assistant of the North Ward Bartholemew Laroux Assistant of the West Ward and Jan Hendrickse Brevort Assistant of the Out Ward & Accordingly tooke their places. Jacobus V Cortlandt ESq^r Alderman and Robert Lurting Assistant of the Dock Ward were both Absent by Occasion of the great sickness & Mortality. And A Caveat was read Against the swearing Isaac D: Riemer Alderman and the Rest of the Officers Return'd to serve for the East Ward for that they were not Elected into their Respective Officers by the Majority of the Inhabitants of [506] The said Ward. and also Another Caveat Ag^t the Swearing David Provoost Elected Alderman of the North Ward as not being duely qualifyed to serve in that Station for sundry reasons therein Contained upon which itt is the Resolution of this Court that the swearing of the said Officers be Refer'd till A due Enquiry Can be made into the Allegations Exhibited Against them.

M^r Johannes Jansen was Sworne Treasurer of this Citty for the Year Ensueing.

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James Spencer was Appointed and sworne high Constable of this Citty for the year Ensueing.

Jeremiah Callcutt Constable of the West Ward Edward Marshall Constable of the Dock Ward and John Sheppard Constable of the south Ward were sworne to the due Execution of their Respective Offices in due forme of Law According to the usual manner.

This Court are Informed that Johannes Vanderheyden Elected Constable of the North Ward is since dead *is since dead.* & Also that the Constables of the Bowry And Harlem did Not Appear to be sworne ORDER'D that they be summoned to Attend the Next Common Council in Order to be Sworne.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday ye 26th day of October Anno Dom 1702

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
John Corbett
William Smith } ESqrs Aldermen
Jacob Dekey
Bartholemew Laroux
Caleb Cooper } Assistants.
Jan Hendrickse Brevort

[507] ORDER'D the Mayor Issue A Warrant to the Assistant of the North Ward to Elect A Constable for the said Ward in the Room of Johannes Vanderheyden deceased to serve in that Office for the said Ward for the year Ensueing

ORDERED that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty be Continued in force till further Order with these Alterations that their be three markett days Kept one whereof to be att the litle Bridge by the Dock and that the words (in time of Divine service or preaching[)] in the printed Law for the Observation of the Lords day formerly Raced out be Added to the same.

ASSIZE OF BREAD

ORDERED the Assize of bread be till further Order as followeth

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh thirteen Ounces for three halfe pence

A Wheaten loafe the Coursest Bran only taken out and not Otherwise to weigh three pounds for four pence halfe penny Wheate being

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att four Shilings and six pence the Bushell and ORDER'D that all the Bakers of this Citty doe take Notice thereof and make their bread Accordingly.

RESOLVED that this Court doe prefer A Petition to the Gen^{ll} Assembly of this Province praying that they will give leave to bring in A Bill or Bills for the Laws hereafter Mentioned for the better Regulating of this Corporation that the same be signed by the Mayor by Order of Common Council and that the Recorder doe draw up the same (Viz^{t})

That A Law be Enacted to Enable the Citty of New Yorke to Raise Money for the Reliefe of the poor soe often as their shall be Occasion [508] That A Law be Enacted to Enable the Citty of New Yorke to defray their publick and Nessessary Charge (Viz^{t})

for the paying of sallaryes of their Representatives for defraying the Charges of Watching Warding Bellmen and Military Guards Should the Generall Require them.

for paying the sallaryes of the Collectors of publick Taxes for Making of Goals sufficient for the holding of felons, for the Maintainance of Felons while in Goale & for their Executions &c:

For Defraying the Charges of Coroners Inquests and Other Contingent Charges that may happen in this Citty.

That A Law be made for the finishing the Citty Hall to be fitt for the Gen^{ll} Assembly to sitt in.

That A Law be made to Establish A Better Revenue on the ferry of New Yorke and to prohibit all Others from Transporting any goods Over but in the ferry boate.

To Enable A New Election of Alderman Assistant Collector Assessors & Petty Constable or any of them in each Respective Ward within this Citty of New Yorke in Case of death or Absence of any of them or are made uncapable by the Law to serve Any longer in their Respective Stations or where they are Elected and not qualifyed by the Law to serve

That A Law be made prohibiting the distilling of Rum & burning of Oyster Shells and Oysters into Lime within this Citty of New Yorke or within A mile of the Citty Hall of the said Citty.

That A Law be made for the Speedy punishment of Negro & Indian slaves for thefts felonies and Other Crimes

That A Law be made Prohibiting the Coyning & Clipping of the Curr^{t} Money & for uttering base Money in the Room of good.

[509] That A Law be made Laying A fine upon the Reputed father of A Bastard Child & for punishing the Mother.

M^{r} Nicholas Rosevelt late Treasurer of this Citty this day Appeared

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before this Court but produced no Acct$ of his Office. ORDER'D he deliver his Acct$ to this Court on Tuesday the third of Nov^{br} Next.

Richard Moore was sworne Constable of the Bowry Division of the Out Ward

The Ledger of this Citty, the Acct$ of ISaac D: Riemer late Treasurer and the Acct$ of the Citty Revenue Received by M^{r} Weaver were this day deliver'd to the present Treasurer.

ORDERD the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Wright Marshall of this Citty the sum of ten pounds Nine Shilings Current Money of New Yorke itt being for A Years sallary due the 14th Instant and for Brooms Nails and A Lock for the Citty Hall as Appears by his Acct which is Allowed.

ORDER'D Benjamin Barnes who came Over with his Excellency be made A freeman of this Corporation Gratis & he was sworne Accordingly.

ORDER'D that Alderman Corbett Alderman smith M^{r} Laroux and M^{r} Cooper or any three of them doe Agree with four or six Able Cittizens to be the Watch and Bellmen of this Citty from the first day of November next to the first day of April following upon such Reasonable Terms as they Shall think Convenient and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council

[510] Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 4th of November Anno Dom$\overline{\text{i}}$ 1702

Prseent Phillip French ESq^{r} Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESq^{r} Recorder
John Corbett
William smith } ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Jacob Dekey
Barthelemew Laroux
Caleb Cooper } Assistants
Jan Hendrickse Brevort

Jan Cornelison was yesterday in Open Court of Gen^{ll} Quarter sessions sworne Constable of Harlem Division of the Out Ward of this Citty for the year Ensueing.

Isaac Stoutenburgh was Returned Constable of the North Ward in the Room of Johannes Vanderheyden deceased and was this day Accordingly Sworne to the due Execution of his Office

WHEREAS on the 29th day of september last past being the Anniversary day of the Election of the Aldermen Assistants Assessors Col-

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lectors and Petty Constables of each Respective Ward within this Citty Mr Abraham Brazier the then Assistant of the East Ward of this Citty (the Aldermen being Absent) did Return under his hand and seale that by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants of the said Ward ISaac D Riemer was Elected Alderman George Elsworth Assistant Peter Roos & Justice Bush Assessors Peter Ryckman Collector and zachariah syckells Constable to serve for the said Ward in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing. And Whereas A great Number of the Inhabitants of the said Ward have Complained to this Court and doe Affirm that Mr Lawrence Reade is Elected Alderman by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants of the Sd Ward Jeremiah Tothill Assistant Benjamin Faneuil and William Anderson Assessors Peter Ryckman Collector and James Harding Constable [511] To Serve in their Respective Offices for the said Ward for the year Ensueing And have prayed the Oaths be not Administred to the said Isaac D: Riemer &c: And Whereas the said Abraham Brazier hath this day delivered to this Court the Poll of the said Election in Order to have the same Inspected and A scrutiny made thereof but the said Isaac D: Riemer Objecting that he had not A Copy of the Poll and therefore att this time was not prepared to proceed to the said scrutiny. Therefore that there be no defect of Justice in this behalfe itt is hereby ORDERED that Alderman Corbett Alderman smith Alderman Dekey Mr Cooper Mr Laroux and Mr Brevort or any three of them (the parties Abovesaid being summoned to be present if they think fitt) in their presence or in Default thereof in their Absence att the Citty Hall on Munday the 16th day of this Instant Month of November doe Justly Inspect and scrutiny the Voices of the Inhabitants of the said Ward and that thereupon such of them as Shall Attend this service Certifie unto this Court under their hands the Names of the persons that are duely chosen and Elected Alderman Assistant Assessors Collector and Petty Constable of the said Ward by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants Aforesaid According to the usage of this Citty and that the said Isaac D: Riemer and Lawrence Reade be each served with A Copy of the said Poll.

WHEREAS Mr Evert Bevvanke late Treasurer of this Citty has often times been summoned to render unto this Court an Acct of the Revenue of this Citty and the publick Moneys of the same by him Received during the time he was Treasurer thereof together with the Books Accounts and Other papers and writings all which he hath Neglected And Refused to doe. And Whereas this Court have good Reason to believe That A Considerable sum of Money of the Revenue of this Citty

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is Remaining in his hands for which he Refuseth to Acct itt is therefore hereby ORDERED that Mr Mayor and Mr Recorder doe fee such and soe Many Council in the Law as they Shall think fitt and Commence such And soe many Actions att Law Agt the said Evert Beyvanke on behalfe [512] And in the Name of this Corporation as they and the Said Council Shall think most Advisable in Order to Oblige him to Acct for the same & that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for defraying what Charges shall Accrue thereby.

November the Ninth 1702.

In Obedience to an Order of his Excellency and Council dated the 7th Instant the Mayor Aldermen and Assistants Attended by the Sheriff Town Clerke Marshall High Constable and Petty Constables After the Ringing of three Bells att the Citty Hall did Cause to be published An Act of Genll Assembly of this Province Entituled an Act for the Levying and Collecting the sum of Eighteen hundred pounds for the Raising paying and Maintaining one hundred and fifty fuzileers with their proper Officers for five Months and thirty men with their proper Officers to be Imployed as Scouts Sixty two days for the Defence of the Fronteeers.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the first day of December Anno Dom 1702.

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
William Smith
Jacob Dekey

Assistants:
Caleb Cooper
Bartholomew Laroux
Jan Hendrickse Brevort

The Report of the Committee for Agreeing with Bellmen was read & Approved in these words following (Vizt) October ye 31th 1702 Pursuant to an Order of Common Council made the 26th day of this Instant Month of October wee have Agreed with Robert Dumond [513] Richard Yearsly Edmond Thomas and John Vanderbeeck four able Cittizens of this Citty to be the Watch and Bellmen of this Citty from the first day of November Next Ensueing untill the first day of April then Next following which service they are duely & diligently to

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Attend by going Every hour in the Night through the severall Streets of this Citty and publishing the time of Night and also to Apprehend all disturbers of the peace Felons &c: also to take Care that No Damage be done in the Citty by fire or Other Casualties as much as in them lyes for which service they are to have the sum of fourty four pounds Currant Money of New Yorke Six pounds whereof to be paid them in six weeks and the Remainder att the Expiration of the time and that A Lanthorn Bell and hour Glass be provided them att the Citty Charge all which is submitted by

John Corbett
William Smith
Barth Laroux
Caleb Cooper

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the said Bellmen the sum of ten pounds three Shilings and ten pence halfe penny and also to provide them with A Bell Lanthorn And hour Glass att the Charge of the Citty.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vezey the sum of five pounds Curr! Money of this Province for preaching A sermon to this Court on the fourteenth day of October Last past.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mr Thomas Burroughs or Order the sum of One pound ten Shilings for A Beam for the Citty's use and also three pounds Currant Money of this Province to Thomas Allison Carman for Wood Carting the same & building A bonfire on the 5th day of November last.

[514] Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of fourteen pounds thirteen Shilings Curr! Money of New Yorke being in full for halfe Years sallary due the fourteenth of October last pen Ink and paper and Drawing & Engrossing the Leases of the Dock &c: as Appears by his Acc! which is Allowed.

Mr James Evetts hath Deliver'd his Account of the Revenue of this Citty Arising on Cyder Flower &c: by him Collected Amounting to fourty seaven pounds Six Shilings and three pence

Order'd he pay the same to the Treasurer of this Citty whose Receipt Shall be unto him A sufficient discharge and that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the said Treasurer to pay unto the said James Evetts the sum of two pounds seaven Shilings and four pence halfe penny in full satisfaction for his Collecting the same.

Order'd the Treasurer pay the Warrants this day Granted to the Bellmen Mr Evetts The Town Clerke And Marshall of this Citty &

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for the Bonfire hour Glass and Beam Out of the Money he Shall Receive from Mr Evetts And that he Apply that Money to No Other use Any former Warrant to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

The Report of the Committee for making A scrutiny of the Election of the East Ward of this Citty made ye 29th day of september last was read in these words following (Vizt)

November ye 16th 1702

In Pursuance of an Order of Common Council made the fourth day of this Instant Month of November wee whose Names are subscribed att the day and place in the said Order Mentioned have Inspected and scrutiny'd the Voices of the Inhabitants of the East Ward of the said Citty of New Yorke and doe finde that besides the Inhabitants of the East Ward Nineteen persons whose dwellings [515] Are in sundry places which were and Still are Reputed to be A part of the North Ward of this Citty Voted in the said East Ward. and wee doe Certifie that if the said Nineteen persons Inhabitants of the North Ward be qualifyed to Vote in the East Ward for the Election of the Officers thereof that then Isaac D: Riemer is Elected Alderman George Elsworth Assistant Peter Roos and Justice Bush Assessors Peter Ryckman Collector and zachariah syckells Constable of the said East Ward. but if the said Nineteen persons Inhabitants of the North Ward are not qualifyed to Vote in the East Ward for the Election of the Officers thereof that then Lawrence Reade is Chosen Alderman Jeremiah Tothill Assistant Benjamin Faneuil and William Anderson Assessors Peter Ryckman Collector and James Harding Constable of the said East Ward by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants of the said Ward. all which is submitted by

John Corbett
William smith
Caleb Cooper
Barth Laroux

This Court having seriously Consider'd the Report Abovesaid are of Opinion Nemine Contra dicente that the Inhabitants of the North Ward of this Citty have No Right of Election for Alderman Assistant Assessors Collector and Petty Constable of the East Ward of this Citty And doe therefore Resolve and declare that Lawrence Reade is Elected Alderman Jeremiah Tothill Assistant William Anderson And Benjamin Faneuil Assessors Peter Ryckman Collector and James Harding Constable by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants of the said Ward. And Ordered the said Persons be summoned to Appear before

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this Court to be Admitted and sworne into the Respective Offices Accordingly.

[516] The Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy and the Test were Administred this day to Jacobus Van Cortlandt ESq[r] Alderman of the Dock Ward Robert Lurting Assistant of the same Ward and Jeremiah Tothil Assistant of the East Ward and also the Oath for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and they Accordingly took their places.

ORDER'D that the Arms of the Late Earle of Bellomont and Cap[t] Nanfan which are fastened in the Wall of this Citty Hall be by the Marshall of this Citty forthwith pulled down and broken that the Wall be filled up and that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof

ORDER'D the Town Clerke Deliver to the Treasurer all the publick books and papers of this Citty which he Received from the late Mayor and that he Return to this Court A List thereof.

ORDER'D this Court forthwith waite upon his Excellency Edward Viscount Cornbury Cap[t] General and Governour in Chiefe of this Province and present him with the freedom of this Citty & that M[r] Recorder make A speech to his Excellency suitable to the Occasion

ORDER'D William Waldron be Admitted one of the public Measurers of this Citty in the place of William Pemberton deceased

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 23[d] day of December Anno Dom[i] 1702

Present Phillip French ESq[r] Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESq[r] Recorder

ESq[rs] Aldermen:
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
William smith

[517]

Assistants:
Jeremiah Tothil
Caleb Cooper
Bartholemew Laroux
Jan Hendrickse Brevort

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This day Mr Lawrence Reade took the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy & subscribed the Test and was sworne Alderman of the East Ward of this Citty being Lawfully Chosen unto the said Office by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants of the said Ward & Accordingly took his place

Whereas there is an Act of Generall Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act for Encouragement of A Grammar Free school in the Citty of New Yorke. And Whereas this Court are of Opinion that att this time there is not Any person within this Citty (with whose Conveniency itt would be Agreable) proper and duely qualifyed to take upon him the Office of schoole Master of the said Citty but think itt Nessessary that the want thereof be Recommended to the Right Honble the Bishop of London to send Over hither A person of good Learning of pious life and Vertuous Conversation of English Extract and of good and mild temper to be the said school master and in Order thereunto itt is hereby Resolved Nemine Contra dicente that this Court doe Petition his Excellency the Lord Cornbury to Recommend this Affair in the Name of this Corporation to his Lordship the Bishop of London And that his Excellency will Also be pleased to Recommend the further Encouragement of the said free school to the society for propogating the Gospell in forreign parts and Likewise to her Most sacred Majesty that her Majesty be most Graciously pleased to Appropriate A parte of the farme Commonly Called the Kings farme lying within this Citty for the further Encouragement of the said free school. That Mr Recorder doe draw the said Petition And that Mr Mayor doe sign the same Accordingly by Order of this Court.

Mr William Provoost this day delivered to this Courte A Booke of Accts which he said were the Accts of Mr Evert Beyvanke late Treasurer of this Citty.

[518] Order'd Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mr David Jamison or Order the sum of four pounds Curr[t] Money of New Yorke itt being for drawing four Acts of Assembly for this Citty passed the last session of Genll Assembly.

Order'd that Alderman Van Cortlandt Alderman Reade Alderman smith Mr Lurting Mr Cooper & Mr Tothill or any fou[r] of them two of which to be Aldermen be A Committee to Audit all the Bookes and Accompts of this Citty since the fourteenth day of October Anno 1698 That the said Committee doe Imploy an Able Clerke to Attend the said

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service for the due and proper Stating of the said Accompts and that the said Committee doe Agree with him for such wages for the said service as they Shall think Reasonable And ORDER'D the said Committee doe sitt Every fryday att two A clock in the afternoon and att such Other times as they Shall Appoint for the better and more Effectual Expediting the Said Acct^s^ And that the Treasurer of this Citty Town Clerke and Marshal doe Attend the said Committee as often as they Shall be Required and also that they have power to send for Records Books and papers Relating to the same & that the said Committee Compleat the said Audit with all Convenient Expedition.

ORDER'D That the sworn Packers of this Citty doe not put the Packers Marke upon Any Barrells of Beef Porke or fish but what Shall Contain thirty Gallons or more and halfe Barrells fifteen Gallons or more and that the Clerke of this Court serve them with A Copy of this Order.

PURSUANT to an Order of Common Council made the twelfth day of May last Itt is hereby ORDERED that the Lease of the Dock & Slips of this Citty be made to M^r^ Phillip French and his Bond for performance of Covenants be Cancelled and ORDERED the Recorder Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the said Phillip French (The present Mayor of this Citty) or his Order the sum of five pounds Curr^t^ Money of this Province for his Relinquishing to this Corporation the Lease of the Dock and slips aforesaid.

[519] ORDER'D that Jan Hendrickse Brevort be the pound Keeper of the Bowry Division of the Out Ward of this Citty during the pleasure of this Court upon the Conditions following (Viz^t^)

That the said Jan Hendrickse Brevort shall att his Own proper Cost and Charge Keep the said pound in good Repair during the Terme he Shall hold the same That he Shall pay One halfe of all the profitts thereof to the Treasurer of this Citty for the use of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the said Citty. That he give Bond for the same and Acc^t^ with the Common Council Upon Oath. Every three Months if Required

ORDER'D the pound Keepers fee be as followeth (Viz^t^) for the pounding Every horse Mare or Colt Nine pence for evry Bull Cow Ox Heafer or Other Neat Cattle four pence halfe pen̄y for Every Sheep or Hog three pence.

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Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Fryday the 15th day of January Anno Dom 1702[-3]

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
Lawrence Reade
William smith
} ESqrs Aldermen

Robert Lurting
Jeremiah Tothil
Bartholomew Laroux
} Assistants

The following Adress to his Excellency was read and Approved and Ordered the same be signed by this Court and presented to his Excellency And that the same be Recorded

[520] TO HIS EXCELLENCY Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt Genll And Governour in Chiefe of the Province of New Yorke and all the Territories and Tracts of Land depending thereon in America And Vice Admiral of the same &c:

The Humble Address of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke in Common Council Assembled.

MOST HUMBLY SHEWETH.

That the last session of the General Assembly of this Province Your Excellency having been pleased to give your Assent to the passing An Act whereby this Corporation is Impowered to Nominate And present to Your Excellency for your Approbation A fitt and able person to teach A publick free school within this Citty and to raise Moneys towards the Maintainance of such person. wee are become Very solicitous which ways to Apply our selves for the finding out one truly qualified for that trust and duty much doubting that Neither these Nor the Neighbouring Countrys Can supply us therewith to whose Conveniency the same may be Agreable.

Wherefore that soe good A Worke may not suffer by delay nor faile of i'ts desired End Wee the said Mayor & Commonality become most humble supplicants to your Excellency that you would be pleased to help on the Structure whose foundation you have Already laid in

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Representing Our Want of A school Master with all the difficult Circumstances thereof To the Right Reverend and no less Honourable my Lord of London and in requesting his fatherly Care & Concern for us therein and by his Lordships means that of the society for propogating the Gospell in forreign parts in Order to our being supply'd from thence with A person of good learning pious life and Vertuous Conversation of English Extract and mild temper to be our said school Master And that your Excellency would be further pleased to Recommend Our Affair and design of A free school Aforesaid unto her Majesties Grace and favour and in Our behalfe most humbly beseech her [520]* Majesty that some parte of the farme Commonly Called the Kings farme within the Liberties of this Citty may be Appropriated for the further and better support and Maintainance of the said school and school Master

And Wee Your Excellencys most humble supplicants Aforesaid Shall ever pray &c:

The Committee Appointed to Audite all the publick Accounts of this Citty And properly Stating the same &c: Reporte that they have Appointed Mr William Anderson Clerke of the same Committee who they Esteem A person of Integrity able and Capable for the Executing the said Office and desire the Approbation of this Court therein

This Court Nemine Contra dicente Approve of the said Mr Anderson as A person Able and Capable for the Officiating that Office and doe Order that the Clerke of this Court doe deliver unto the said William Anderson the Minutes of Common Council of this Citty and such Other Records as the said William Anderson or the Committee Aforesaid shall Require of him for the better Stating and perfecting the publick Accounts of this Citty and that this Order be A sufficient Warrant to the Clerke of this Court for soe doing.

Order'd That for the better Encouragement of the Ferry of this Citty this Court doe Petition his Excellency the Governor & Council for A Grant of all the Vacant Land from High water to Low water Marke fronting the harbour of this Citty from the Red hooke upon Nassaw Island to the Wallabought upon the said Island for the better and more Convenient taking in and Landing Passengers Corne &c:

*An error in paging the original.

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bound to and from this Citty and that Mr Recorder doe draw the said Petition.

ORDER'D Mr Recorder Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Phillip French ESqr Mayor of this Citty the sum of Nineteen pounds ten shilings Current Money of New Yorke itt being [521] for Nine and thirty days service in Genll Assembly as A Representative of this Citty and County from the Nineteenth day of October last to the twenty Eight day of November following

ORDER'D the Clerke of this Court deliver to Mr Anderson the Booke of Accts of Mr Evert Beyvanke late Treasurer of this Citty in Order for the better Stating the publick Accts of this Corporation.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Fryday the 5th day of february Anno Dom̄ 1702[-3]

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
William smith
Lawrence Reade
} ESqrs Aldermen
Robert Lurting
Caleb Cooper
Jeremiah Tothil
Bartholomew Laroux
} Assistants

WHEREAS on the sixteenth day of October 1699 this Court did Order A Warrant to Issue to the Treasurer for the payment of Nine pounds One shiling to Ruth Davies Widdow itt being for halfe years Rent for the Court Room Candles &c: which Warrant by some Accident is lost and not paid therefore the said Ruth Davies prays Another Warrt doe Issue for the payment of the said sum Whereupon itt is ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the said Ruth Davies the said sum of Nine pounds One shiling Currant Money of New Yorke the One of which Warrants being paid the Other is to be absolutely Void.

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[522] The Widdow of Mr Thomas Noell late Mayor of this Citty brought in An Acct due to her from the Citty. ORDER'D the same be Refer'd to the Committee for Auditing the publick Accts to make A Report thereon

ORDER'D that the Assize of Bread be till further Order as followeth &c:

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh fourteen Ounces for three halfe pence

A Wheaten loafe the Coursest Bran only taken out and not Otherwise to weigh three pounds and Ahalfe for four pence halfe penny wheate being att four Shilings and four pence ℔ Bushell and ORDER'D that all the Bakers of this Citty doe take Notice hereof and make their bread Accordingly.

ALL The Minutes of Common Council of this Corporation since the thirteenth day of October 1701 to the twenty third day of December following with A Journal Kept by Thomas Noell ESqr during parte of his Mayorality were all Read as they are Entred in the Town Clerkes blotter And. Approved And ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente the same be fairly Entred into the New Common Council Booke in the Course as they Are Entred in the said Minute Booke And the same Remain on Record for Ever.

This Court are further of Opinion Nemine Contra dicente that the swearing of the Aldermen Assistants and Other Officers of this Corporation which were sworne the fourteenth day of October 1701 by Isaac D Riemer and Abraham Gouverneur Mentioned in the Afores^d Journal was Contrary to the Ancient Rights Usage Custom & Priviledges of the said Citty Against the Express Meaning of the Charter without Any President of Evil and pernicious Consequence and are hereby declared and published to be Utterly Void and of None Effect.

[523] The following Ordinance was three times Read Approved & published and ORDER'D to be forthwith Printed.

> AN ORDINANCE by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen & Assistants of the Citty of New Yorke Conven'd in Common Council for the Ascertaining the demensions of dry Caske & Regulating the Abuses in the Tare of flower.

WHEREAS the Trade and Navigation of this Citty hath of late been

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under great discouragement for want of having Ascertained proper Demensions in Caske for Remedy whereof be itt Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants Conven'd in Common Council and by the Authority of the same that sixty days after the publication hereof all dry Caske that Shall be made within this Citty or used and Imployed for the Containing of flower Biskett Pease &c: Shall be of the demensions hereafter specified (that is to say) Every hogshead to have the demensions of fourty Inches long thirty three Inches in the Bulge And twenty seaven Inches in the head. Every Tearse to have the Demensions of thirty six long twenty seaven Inches in the Bulge And twenty three Inches in the head. Every Barrell to have the Demensions of thirty Inches long twenty six Inches in the Bulge And twenty two Inches in the head. Every halfe Barrell to have the Demensions of twenty five Inches long twenty inches in the Bulge And sixteen Inches in the head. Every Quarter Barrell to have the Demensions of twenty Inches long sixteen Inches in the Bulge and thirteen Inches in the head And all Coopers Residing within the said Citty are hereby Required to make such Caske as Shall be Imployed for the Containing of flower Biskett and pease of the demensions Aforesaid and of good and sound season'd timber and not Otherwise under the penalty of twenty shilings Currant Money of this Province for each Caske that Shall be Imployed as Aforesaid [524] And be of A Lesser or Greater demension then what is hereby Ascertained the One halfe to the Informer the Other halfe to the Citty to be Adjudged & Determined by the Mayor for the time being or any Other Justice of the peace within the same. And be itt further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that if Any flower Biskett or pease Shall be found within this Citty and Liberties thereof Packed in any Other Caske for Transportation then what shall be of the Demensions before Mentioned the Owner thereof shall for each such Offence forfeit and pay the sum of twenty Shilings Currant Money of this Province for Each Caske that Shall be Imployed as Aforesaid And be of A Lesser or Greater demension then what is hereby Ascertained to the uses Aforesaid and to be Recovered in such manner as Aforesaid. And for Regulating the Tare of such Caske be itt further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that all Caske that Shall be Imployed or used for the Containing of Flower and Biskett Shall before any of the said Commodities be put therein be truely weighed And the Just weight and Tare thereof put by A Marking Iron upon the head or Bulge of Each Caske Imployed as Aforesaid. And if itt Shall happen that the true Tare of the said Caske Shall be of greater weight then what is

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marked upon the same that then the person Offending Shall for Each Offence forfeit the sum of twenty Shilings Currant Money Aforesaid for the uses Aforesaid and to be Recovered in such manner as Aforesaid.

And for preventing Any further frauds therein be itt further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that all Bolters Bakers Packers or Venders of flower and Biskett within this Citty Shall before they Transport or Vend such Commodities put the true Tare upon the Caske as Aforesaid And Likewise Brand their Names upon the said Caske before they Either Vend or Transport the same under the paine & forfeiture as Aforesaid to the uses Aforesaid and to be Recovered as Aforesaid Dated the fifteenth day of february in the first Year of the Reign of our soveraign Lady Anne by the Grace of God of England scotland France And Ireland Queen Defender of the faith &c: Anno Dom 1702

[525] City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Munday y^e^ 15^th^ day of february Anno Dom 1702[-3]

Present Phillip French ESq^r^ Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESq^r^ Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
William smith
Jacob Dekey
Lawrence Reade
} ESq^rs^ Aldermen
Jeremiah Tothil
Robert Lurting
Caleb Cooper
Bartholomew Laroux
} Assistants

The Petition of M^r^ Gerardus Beeckman for A Grant of A slip of Ground in Queen Street in Order to make A publick Slip was read. Order'd that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Reade M^r^ Tothil and M^r^ Lurting be A Committee to Enquire into the Allegations of the Petitioners and make Report what will be Convenient to be done therein with all Convenient Expedition

The Petition of John Euwatse was read Order'd the same be

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Refer'd to the said Committee to View the said house and Report what will be Nessessary to be done therein.

ORDER'D the Recorder Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Phillip French ESq^r Mayor of this Citty or Order the sum of Nine pounds sixteen Shilings and three pence Curr^t Money of New Yorke itt being Money by him disbursted on A fire And Beer and Wine att the same On the sixth Instant being her Majestys birth day and that the same be paid out of the Money to be Received by the Mayor for freedoms land Lycenses &c:

[526] The Petition of the Rector Wardens and Vestry men of Trinity Church within this Citty was read praying the burial place of this Citty be Granted to the Corporation of Trinity Church for Ever and Keeping the fence Inclosing the same in good Repair. &c: This Court having Considered the said Petition doe ORDER that the said Burial place be granted to the Rector Church Wardens and Vestry men of Trinity Church in New Yorke for Ever to be by them Appropriated for the publick Church yard and burial place of this Citty for Ever they & their successors allways Keeping the same in good fence well Repaired and taking only for breaking of the Ground for Each person from twelve years of Age and Upwards three Shilings and for each Child under twelve years of Age One Shiling and six pence And no Other or greater duty Whatsoever for breaking the said Ground And that M^r Mayor Execute A Grant for the same Accordingly.

The Treasurer of this Citty hath Informed this Court that he has made Many Demands of Dirck Benson for the Rent of the ferry due from him to the Citty which he hath Refused to pay from time to time

ORDER'D that M^r Recorder and M^r James Emott be the Council of this Citty And in the Name of this Corporation Commence process Against the said Dirck Benson. According to such speedy Methods for the Recovery of the same as they Shall think fitt and that the Mayor Issue his Warr^t to the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof.

The following Petition was three time[s] Read & Approved & ORDERED the same be Ingrossed and signed by this Court & Presented Accordingly.

To his Excellency Edward Lord Viscount Cornbury Cap^t Gen^ll and Governour in Chiefe of the Province of New Yorke and all the Terri-

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tories and Tracts of Land depending thereon in America and Vice Admirall of the same in Councill

[527] The humble Petition of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Citty of New Yorke

Most Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioners by their Charter having A Right and Interest in the ferry from this Citty cross the River to Nassaw Island And from the said Island to this Citty again and to all the perquisites profitts and Advantages thereof which your Petitioners perceive to fall much short of what they might reasonably Expect from the same if the bounds And limitts of the said Ferry were som[e]thing Extended on the said Island side whereby to hinder and prevent that Priviledge and Liberty which divers persons now take of Transporting themselves and goods to and from the said Island of Nassaw over the said River without Coming to or Landing att the used & Accustomed place where the said ferry is Kept and Appointed to the great loss and Damage of your Petitioners whose farmer of the said ferry Complains he Cannot live upon nor longer hold the same though att A Moderate And Very Easy Rent which Mischiefe and Inconvenience your Petitioners Know not better how to Remedy than by gaining A further Interest on the shoar Adjoyning to the said Island so as to Oblige persons to pay the Rate and duty of the ferry who pass and Repass the said River with themselves or goods to or from Any Other part of the S^{d} Island within the bounds and Compass hereby prayed for than that where the said ferry is Now Kept which being in your Lordships power Alone to Enable your Petitioners to doe.

Wee your said Petitioners doe most humbly beg of your Excell that You would be pleased to Grant unto us and Our successors for the use and behoofe of this Citty And Corporation under the seale of this Province all the Vacant Land from High water to low water Marke fronting the harbour of this Citty from the East side of Red hooke Upon Nassaw Island Aforesaid to the East side of the Wallabout upon the said Island for the better and more Convenient taking in & Landing of passengers Corne and Other goods & things bound to and from this Citty

And Your Petitioners as in Duty bound Shall Ever pray &c:

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[528] ORDER'D the following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Citty be Continued in force till further Order

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
Concerning Retailers of Strong Liquors
Surveyors of the Citty
To Prevent fire
Concerning Negroes
Concerning Engrossers and Forestallers of the Markett
Concerning Assize of bread
No Timber &c: to lye in the Streets
Concerning Swine
Regulations Concerning Carmen
Concerning Negroes & Indian slaves
Common Council Not to be Absent upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Weights and Measures to be sealed
Masters of Vessells to give Acct of their Passengers.
Concerning Bucketts
Packers Marke on beef and Porke
Freemen to be Inrolled
Apprentices to be bound before the Mayor &c:
Ordinance for Paving the Streets
Laws & Orders for the Govt of the Dock and slips
Oath of Freeman
Regulations for the Markett
Law Against firing Guns in the Streets
Law Relating to Apprentices
Who are to be deemed Freemen
Freemen made by the Mayor and Aldermen
Law to Prevent fire
Law Against Hawkers and Pedlars
Law Against Emptying Odours in the Streets
Carmen's Wages for Wine Rum and Malasses
Against slaughtering Any where but att the slaughter house
Law Imposing A fine upon such as Refuse to Watch
An Ordinance for the better Cleaning of the Streets
[529] Law Concerning Freemen
Law Relating to Packers
Law Ascertaining the Demensions of dry Caske.

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ORDER'D that A Parte of Queen street within this Citty begining att the house of Mr Adams the Stationer and Running West Ward Along the Said Street to the Corner house of Geesie Lewis be forthwith paved in such manner and forme as the Alderman and Assistant of that Ward Shall direct and Appoint and under such pains and penalties as are limited and Appointed in An Ordinance of this Citty Entituled An Ordinance for paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within this Citty.

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[1] Citty of New Yorke } SS

At A Common Council held at the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Wensday y^e 24^th day of February Anno Dom 1702[-3]

Present Phillip French ESq^r Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESq^r Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
Lawrence Reade
William smith
} ESq^rs Aldermen
Jeremiah Tothil
Robert Lurting
Bartholomew Laroux
} Assistants

WHEREAS his Excellency the Cap^t Gen^ll hath this day Received Certaine Advice from England of the great and signal Victory Obtain'd by her Majesty's fleet and forces Against the French & spaniards att Vigo in spain in taking Burning and destroying seaventeen French men of Warr and seaventeen spanish Galloons and also in taking the said Town of Vigo and Castles thereunto belonging and further of the wonderfull success that has Attended the Confederate Arms in Flaunders Against the French and spaniards her Majesty's declared Enemy's which is most Gratefull and Acceptable News to the Inhabitants of this Citty who are pressing to give some marks thereof by some publick demonstration Itt is therefore hereby ORDERED that A publick bonfire be made this Night within this Citty att the usual place that ten Gallons of wine And A Barrell of Beer be also provided att the Charge of this Corporation to Drinke to her Majesties health, the Prince's and success to her Majesties Arms And that M^r Mayor doe Give Orders the same be provided Accordingly

ORDER'D publick Notice be Given to all the house Keepers of this Citty that they make publick Illuminations this Night as A further demonstration of their Joy for the said Victory.

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[2] Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Fryday ye 26th day of february Anno Dom 1702[-3]

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
Lawrence Reade } ESqrs Aldermen
Jeremiah Tothil
Robert Lurting
Caleb Cooper
Bartholemew Laroux } Assistants

John Delamontagne brought in his Accts of the profitts ye burying place of this Citty since the year 1690 Order'd that Alderman Reade Alderman Corbett and Mr Cooper be A Committee to Examine the same And make Report thereof to the Next Common Council

The Petition of Francis Darvall was read praying A Grant of Confirmation of A Parcell of Land lying Near Mr sacketts formerly Called the Cherry Garden which was bequeathed to her by her Grandfather Thomas Delavall Merchr deceased. Order'd Alderman Cortlandt Alderman smith and Mr. Tothill be A Committee to View the said Land and Cause the surveyors to lay out the same and make A draft thereof And Report to this Court their Opinion therein.

The Petition of Richard Moore was read praying the payment of twelve pounds due to him for Bricks for the New Citty Hall. Order'd the same be Refer'd to the Committee for Auditing the publick Accts to Examine and make Report thereof.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Bradford Printer or his Order the sum of five pounds seaventeen shilings Currt Money of New Yorke itt being for printing several Ordinances of this Citty, for A Printed Charter & two Books for Records as Appears by his Acct which is Allowed & Ordered that the Treasurer pay the same

[3] Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mr Lawrence Reade or Order the sum of twenty one pounds Currt Money of New Yorke itt being for his service as A Representative of this Citty in Genll Assembly in the Month of October 1696 and in the Month of April 1697 being in all 49 days sundays being deducted makes fourty two days (as ℔ Certificate thereof under the hand of the speaker) And Order'd the same be paid out of the first Money to be

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Raised in this Citty by Tax for the paying the sallarys of the Representatives of this Citty.

WHEREAS the Citty Hall of this City is not yett Compleatly finished whereby the Common Council thereof were Obliged to Assemble together to doe the publick business of this Corporation all this winter past att the house of William Davis for the Conveniency of A Warme fire Room and fire which the said William Davis furnished and Provided by Order of this Court as well for the Conveniency of the Common Council as of several Committees by this Court Appointed for the better Expediting the publick Affairs of this Citty itt is therefore ORDER'D that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the said William Davis or Order the sum of two pounds Curr: Money of New Yorke for the said Roome and firewood used & Imployed as Aforesaid.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Tuesday the Ninth day of March Anno Dom 1702[-3]

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
William smith
Lawrence Reade } ESqrs Aldermen
Robert Lurting
Jeremiah Tothil
Caleb Cooper
Bartholomew Laroux } Assistants

[4] The Committee Appointed the twenty third day of December last past for Auditing all the Books and Accounts of this Citty since the fourteenth day of October 1698 doe Report that they have mett together Every fryday in Every week since their being Appointed And have summoned before them David Provoost Isaac D: Riemer & Evert Beyvanke late Treasurers of this Citty and demanded of them to render an Account of the several sums of Money they Received during the time of their being Treasurers and to produce to them their Vouchers for the payment of the same. That the said David Provoost and ISaac D: Riemer have often promised to Come to the said Committee to Acct and to show their Vouchers but have allways broke their promise and did Not Come According to their Appointment, soe that

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upon the whole matter the said Committee Are of Opinion the said persons doe not design to Acct and only make Excuses to gain time till the supream Court is past whereby to Evade the Action of this Citty. Itt is therefore hereby Ordered that Mr Recorder and Mr Emott be fee'd as Council of this Corporation And that they in the Name of the said Corporation Commence such Action or Actions Against the said David Provoost ISaac D: Riemer & Evert Beyvanke in the supream Court of this Province as they shall think most Adviseable for the benefitt of this Corporation and that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant upon the Treasurer for the paying them their fees and such Other Charges as they shall be att in the prosecution thereof.

Order'd also that Mr Recorder and Mr Emott Commence Actions in the Name of this Corporation Against Johannes D: Peyster David Provoost Isaac D: Riemer and Abraham Brasier & Peter Willemse Roome (lately A Committee of this Court for ye Managing And supervising the building of the Citty Hall) that they render unto this Corporation their Reasonable Acct of the Moneys by them And their Order Received on Acct of the said Citty Hall and of the Materialls of the same and of the severall payments they have made.

Order'd further that the said Council in the Name of this Corporation Commence an Action Against Mr Isaac D: Riemer for the Rent of the [5] house att the Ferry due to this Citty. And also that Mr Emott speak to John Euwoutse to pay the Money he Owes this Corporation & that if he Refuses so to doe that Mr Emott take out Process Agt him.

Resolved that sixty pounds which Dirck Benson yesterday paid to the Treasurer of this Citty and also all the Revenue of the ferry in the hands of said Dirck Benson and all the Revenue of the ferry that shall become due to the twenty fifth day of March Instant be Approp[r]iated to the use of the Citty Hall towards the finishing of the same Any former Order to the Contrary Notwithstanding. And the Treasurer of this Citty is hereby Required to take Notice hereof Accordingly.

Memorandum Johannes Hardenbrooke this day Appeared and desired longer time to pay A Bill due to the Citty & Accordingly this Court give him two Months time to pay the same.

Order'd that Mr Tothil and Mr Cooper be A Committee of this Court for the Imploying able workmen for the laying the floors in the two Chambers in the Citty Hall for the making the Stair Case & Petition Walls Making Doors to the Court Room Wooden Shutters to all the Windows Making tite the Cupuloo Glazing the Oval Windows

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and laying the floor Over the Court Room. That they Keep A distinct Acct of all the Materialls And disburstments thereof and that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of all such Workemen and Materialls as shall be Imployed on that service.

Order'd that Elias Desgrange Peruke maker who Came hither with his Excellency the Governour be made a Freeman of this Corporation Gratis

New Yorke } SS
Citty of }

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said Citty on Wensday the 17th day of March Anno Dom 1702[-3]

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldermen:
John Corbett
William smith
Lawrence Reade

Assistants:
Jacob Dekey
[6] Bartholemew Laroux
Jeremiah Tothil
Caleb Cooper

Order'd that Mr Recorder Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Phillip French ESqr Mayor of this Citty the sum of Nine pounds fifteen shilings Currt Money of New Yorke itt being Money by him disbursted for A Bonfire and Beer and wine thereat upon the twenty fourth day of february last past upon the Arrival of the hapy News of the signal Victory Obtained by her Majestys fleet and forces Over the French and spaniards att Vigo and in Flaunders.

This Court this day satt several hours in Expectation that Mr Isaac D: Riemer late Treasurer of this Citty would Acct with this Corporation According to his own Appointment who after Along time Came before this Court who being Asked if he was ready to Acct Answer'd yes. Whereupon the Court demanded of him to produce Vouchers to his Accts who Reply'd he would fetch them, and went Away and about an hour after Returned And told the Court he did not think itt safe to produce to them his Vouchers since he was Sued in the supream Court and demanded his Books Saying he could not Acct without them, to which the Court Answered they were delivered to them as the Books and Accts of the Corporation and that therefore thev Could not deliver them but Notwithstanding would Consider of itt

Resolved Mr Isaac D: Riemer have A Copy of his Accts given in

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to this Court if he Require itt paying Reasonable Charges for Copying the same.

Citty of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Councill held att the Citty Hall of the said Citty on Thursday the 22d day of April Anno Dom 1703

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
John Corbett
William smith
Lawrence Reade } ESqrs Aldermen
Robert Lurting
Jeremiah Tothil
Caleb Cooper
Bartholemew Laroux } Assistants.

[7] The Committee Appointed to Examine the Allegations of the Petition of Mr Gerardus Beeckman doe Report that they have Viewed ye Premisses And are of Opinion itt is not Reasonable to be Granted for that the making of the Slip will be A Considerable Charge to the City and no benefitt wch Report is Approved and Order'd the said Petition be Rejected.

The Committee Appointed to Audit the Accounts of Thomas Noell ESqr late Mayor of this City doe Report that they have diligently Examined the same and doe finde that there is due unto the Estate of the said Thomas Noell from this Corporation the sum of Eighty pounds Eight shilings & five pence Currant Money of New Yorke Which Report is Approved & Ordered the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the same to his Executrix.

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Richard Yearsly Robt Drummond Edmond Thomas & John Vanderbeeck or Order the sum of thirty three pounds Sixteen Shilings & ten pence Curr: Money of New Yorke itt being in full of their sallary as Bellmen of this Citty due and Ending the first Instant.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas Clerke of this City ten pounds Curr: Money of New Yorke itt being in full of halfe A Years sallary due and Ending ye fourteenth Instant.

The Grant of the Burying place to the Rector and Inhabitants of the City of New Yorke in Communion of the Protestant Church of England as Now Established by Law was read and Approved & Order'd the Mayor Execute the same

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ORDER'D that such parts of the New Street of this City as are not paved be forthwith paved and that the Aldermen and Assistants of the Wards to which the same belong doe see itt be performed and that such persons as Refuse to doe the same be lyable to such Penalties & forfeitures as Mentioned in an Ordinance of this City Entituled an Ordinance for paving the Streets Lanes & Alleys in this City &c:

ORDER'D that Mr Mayor doe take Care that there be A Bonfire to Morrow at the Charge of the Corporation and two Barrells of Beer & An Anchor of Wine to Drinke health to her Majesty itt being the Anniversary day of her Majesties Coronation.

[8] ASSIZE OF BREAD

ORDER'D that the Assize of bread be till further Order as followeth

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh fifteen ounces for three halfe pence

A Wheaten loafe the Coursest Bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh three pounds and A halfe for four pence halfe penny Wheat being att three Shilings and six pence ℔ Bushell And ORDER'D that all the Bakers of this City doe take Notice thereof And make their bread Accordingly.

City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the first day of May Anno Dom̄. 1703.

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
John Corbett
William Smith } ESqrs Aldermen
Lawrence Reade
Jeremiah Tothil
Robert Lurting } Assistants.
Bartholemew Laroux

ORDER'D that publick Advertisement be given to all the Inhabitants of this City and Others who are Creditors to this Corporation by Warrants upon the Treasurer thereof that they bring in the same to the Office of Town Clerke of this Citty on or before the first day of June Next Ensueing in Order the sum and the date thereof may be taken. and Also that all persons that have any demands upon this Corporation by Account due or Otherways are desired to Carry in their Accounts to the Auditors of the publick Accts of this City in Order that the same be Audited and Adjusted that proper Methods be taken for the Speedy payment of the Said Warrants and Accounts.

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Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Munday the 10th day of May Anno Dom 1703

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt, John Corbett } ESqrs Aldermen
[9] William Smith, Lawrence Reade } ESqrs Aldermen.
Robert Lurting, Jeremiah Tothil, Caleb Cooper, Bartholomew Laroux } Assistants.

Order'd the Recorder Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Phillip French ESqr Mayor of this City or Order the sum of Sixteen pounds Eleaven Shilings and three pence Currt Money of New Yorke itt being Money by him disbursted for Wood Wine & beer &c: for A Bonfire on the twenty third of April last being the Anniversary day of her Majesty's Coronation and also for A sett of Books for the City for the Keeping the Accts and Money disbursted at A Coroners Inquest which is Allowed and Ordered the Treasurer pay the same.

The Petition of Vincent Delamontagne was read. Order'd he have Liberty to Continue digging of Clay and making of Bricks in the Out Ward where he now maketh Bricks till the sitting of the Next Common Council and that the said Petition in the mean time be under the Consideration of this Court.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye 26th day of May Anno Dom 1703

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor &
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt, John Corbett, Willim Smith, Lawrence Reade } ESqrs Aldermen
Jeremiah Tothil, Caleb Cooper, Bartholomew Laroux, Jan Hendrickse Brevort } Assistants.

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The Petition of the Inhabitants of this City dwelling Near Burgers Path was read praying that A Carte way be laid out and made on the East Side of the Slip att Burgers in such manner as Other Slips of this City be made and finished. ORDERED that Alderman Corbett Alderman Reade [10] And Mr Tothil be A Committee to View the premisses and Know of the said Inhabitants the particulars of what they desire and Report to this Court what they think will be Reasonable to be Granted.

The Petition of Mr Gerard Beeckman was read praying A Grant from high water to Low water marke fronting his Lott in Queen Street between the Sloughter houses in Consideration whereof he will att his own Charge make and finish A Certain Slip Adjoyning to the same. ORDER'D Alderman Corbett Alderman Reade and Mr Tothil be A Committee to Enquire into the premisses and Report to this Court what they think will be Convenient to be done therein for the publick benefit.

RESOLVED that Mr Recorder and Mr Emott the Council for this City doe in the Name of this Corporation Commence Process at Law Against Dirck Benson the Lessee of the ferry of this Citty &c: for Arrearages of Rent and breach of Covenants as they Shall think most Advantagious for this Corporation.

City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday ye 25th day of June Anno Dom 1703

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus Van Cortlandt
John Corbett
William Smith
Lawrence Reade } ESqrs Aldermen
Jeremiah Tothil
Caleb Cooper
Bartholemew Laroux } Assistants

The Petition of Sundry of the Inhabitants of the South Dock & North Wards of this City was read praying A Common Sewer be made in the broad Street of this City Pursuant to the directions of an Act of Genll Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act for Regulating the building Streets Lanes Wharfs & Docks and Alleys of the City of New Yorke. ORDER'D that Mr James Evetts and Mr Johannes D'Honeur be the surveyors [11] Or Supervisors of this City by vertue of the Said Act and that they be summoned to Attend this Court the

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Next Common Council to Consult of proper Methods for the Ordering and directing the Said Common Sewer

ORDER'D the Recorder Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Philip French Esq[r] Mayor of this City or Order the sum of thirty two pounds ten Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for his Service in Gen[ll] Assembly as A Representative of this City seaventy five days from the fifth day of April last past to the twentieth day of this Instant June att ten Shilings ℔ diem Sundays deducted and to be paid out of the first Money Raised for the payment of y[e] Sallarys of the Representatives.

The Accompt of Brandt Schuyler ESq[r] late Alderman of the south Ward of this City was produced in Court. ORDER'D the same be Committed to the Auditors of the publick Accompts That they Examine the same and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

Pursuant to an Act of Gen[ll] Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act to Enable the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New Yorke for the time being to Raise Money upon the Freeholders And Inhabitants thereof for defraying their publick & Nessessary Charg[es] Annually itt is hereby RESOLVED Nemine Contra dicente that the sum of three hundred pounds Currant Money of New Yorke be Raised upon the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Said City for the paying the Bellmen paying the sallarys of the Officers of this City for the paym[t] of the Executrix of Thomas Noell deceased Stone and Stairs for the City Hall and for the defraying Other publick Charges hapning in y[e] Said City. That the Mayor forthwith Issue his Warrant to the Assessors for the making the said Tax Pursuant to the directions of the said Act and that the same be paid to the Treasurer of this City on or before the tenth day of August Next Ensueing the date hereof and that he pay the same to the uses Abovesaid and to no Other but by the Order and direction of this Court.

[12] ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday the second day of July Anno Dom̄ 1703

Present Phillip French ESq[r] Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESq[r] Recorder

John Corbett
William Smith
Lawrence Reade
} ESq[rs] Aldermen

Robert Lurting
Caleb Cooper
Bartholemew Laroux
} Assistants.

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This Court being Informed that Balthazar Bayard late one of the assessors of the West Ward is dead whereby there is Vacancy of that Office. ORDER'D that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of that Ward for the Election of Another able person of the said Ward to Serve in that Office untill the fourteenth day of October Next Ensueing in such manner as by An Act of Genll Assembly of this Province Entituled an Act to Enable the City of New Yorke to Supply the Vacancy of Such publick Elective Magistrates and officers as May dye or Otherwise be Incapacitēd to serve before the time of Annual Election is directed and Appointed.

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ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday the 16th day of July Anno Dom 1703

Present Phillip French ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton Esqr Recorder
John Corbett
William smith
Lawrence Reade } ESqrs Aldermen
Robert Lurting
Caleb Cooper
Bartholemew Laroux } Assistants.

This Court having Considered the Petition of Mr Gerard Beeckman doe Resolve and itt is hereby ORDERED that the Ground between his Lott and Low [13] Water marke lying in Queen Street fronting the East River on the West side of Beeckmans Slaughter house be Granted unto him and to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever upon the Conditions following (Vizt) That the said Gerard Beeckman Shall make A Wharfe or Street fronting the East River of thirty foot broad in Manner and forme & under such Covenants as the Other Wharfs & Streets in Queen Street Are or ought to be made, And also att his own proper Cost and Charge make A Slip on the West Side of his Said Lott of Ground of twenty four foot wide And A Wharfe of twelve foot wide And to Keep the same in Repair for Ever att his or their own Charge And that the surveyors Lay itt out and make A draft thereof and that Mr Mayor Execute A Grant for the same Accordingly. And itt is hereby further ORDERED that A Slip of Ground lying between the two Sloughter houses in Queen Street be and is hereby Appropriated for a publick Slip for the use of the Corporation for Ever.

Mr Mayor Acquainted this Court that he is Very suddenly de-

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signed On A Voyage for England on some Urgent Occasions and desires the Opinion of this Court how he Shall dispose of the Charter and seals of this City till such time as Another Mayor succeeds him ORDER'D he deliver the same to the Recorder to be by him Kept for the use of this Corporation till A New Mayor is Sworne.

ORDER'D that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be Continued in force for three Months longer.

ORDER'D that the sum of fifty pounds Currant Money of New Yorke out of the three hundred pounds Raised by Order of this Court the twenty fifth day of the Month of June last past for defraying the publick and Nessessary Charge of this City be Appropriated for the payment of such fees and disburstments as Shall be due and Expended by Mr Emott and Mr Recorder in the prosecution of sundry Actions att Law Commenced by this Corporation Against Sundry persons and that Mr Recorder in Absence of the Mayor Issue his Warrants upon the Treasurer for the payment of such sums of Money as Shall become due unto them for that service.

[14] City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Meeting of the Recorder Aldermen and Assistants att the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1703.

Present samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Corbett
William Smith } ESqrs Aldermen
Jeremiah Tothil
Bartholemew Laroux } Assistants.

Pursuant to the Warrants of the Recorder Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward and to the Constable of the North Ward (their being no Alderman or Assistant for that Ward for the Electing this day one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector & one petty Constable in each Respective Ward of the Said City and two Collectors And two Petty Constables and four Overseers of the Highways for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Out Ward of the Said City to Serve in their Respective offices for the year Ensueing According to the usage Custom Laws and Ordinances of this City & Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof att twelve of the Clock att Noon to the office of Town Clerke under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen, and Constable of the North Ward According to the Tenor of the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Vizt)

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Dock Ward	Jacobus Van Cortlandt	Alderman	
	John Vanhorne	Assistant	
	Elias Boudinott, Nicholas Jamaine	Assessors	
	John Tiebout	Collector	
	Roger Jones	Constable	
South Ward	Johannes Jansen	Alderman	
	Cornelius D: Peyster	Assistant	
	Francis Vincent, John Ellison	Assessors	
	Benjamin Wyncoope	Collector	
	Elias Pelletreau	Constable	
[15] West Ward	John Hutchins	Alderman	
	Bartholemew Laroux	Assistant	
	Peter King, Tobias Stoutenburgh	Assessors	
	Evert Vanhooke	Collector	
	Richard Green	Constable	
East Ward	Jeremiah Tothil	Alderman	
	Benjamin Faneuil	Assistant	
	Peter Morin, Gabriel Ludlow	Assessors	
	Peter Ryckman	Collector	
	William Leathes	Constable	
North Ward	David Provost	Alderman	
	Abraham Ketletas	Assistant	
	Matthias Boeckhout, William Apple	Assessors	
	Joost Palding	Collector	
	Abraham Van Laer	Constable	
Out Ward	Jacob Dekey	Alderman	
	Egbert Heermans	Assistant	
	Jacques Frontyn	Assessor	for y^{e} Bowry Division
	Hendrick Cordus	Collector	
	Zachariah syckells	Constable	
	Jacob Cornelisse, Wessell Peterson	Overseers of Highways	
	Adolph Meyer	Assessor	for Harlem Division
	Barent Waldron	Collector	
	Johannes Meyer	Constable	
	Adolph Meyer, Barent Waldron	Overseers of Highways	

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The Copy of an Order of Council was read whereby his Excellency Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt Genll and Governour in Chiefe of this Provinc[e] by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majesties Council of the same was pleased to Nominate and Appoint Coll William Peartree to be Mayor of this City for the year Ensueing & Also Ebenezer Willson ESqr to be high Sheriff of the City and County of New Yorke for the Said Ensueing year.

[16] Resolved Nemine Contra dicente that William Anderson of this City Genl be Chamberlain or Treasurer of this City for the Year Ensueing and he is hereby Nominated and Appointed Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City Accordingly for the year Ensueing.

Resolved Jeremiah Callcutt of this City Butcher be high Constable of this City for the year Ensueing & he is hereby Nominated and Appointed high Constable Accordingly.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday the 14th day of October Anno Dom 1703

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Jacobus Van Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jacob Dekey abst
Jeremiah Tothil
Johannes Jansen

Assistants.
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
Benjamin Faneuil
Abraham Ketletas
Egbert Heermans

This day being the Anniversary day of Swearing the New Mayor High Sheriff Aldermen Assistants Treasurer High Constable Petty Constables &c: William Peartree ESqr the then Mayor Elect (Phillip French ESqr the late Mayor being absent) Attended by the Recorder Aldermen Assistants Assessors Treasurer Collectors High Constable Petty Constables and Other Officers of the Said City According to the usual formality mett att the City Hall & from thence went to Fort Anne & there waited upon his Excellency the Capt Genll and Governour in Chiefe of this Province in Council who Caused to be Administred to the said William Peartree ESqr Mayor & Ebenezer Willson ESqr high Sheriff the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be

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taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy and the Test and the Oath of Abjuration and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective offices and Accordingly delivered unto them their [17] Respective Commissions. Whereupon the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid with the like formality went to Trinity Church, where the Reverend Mr William Vezey the Rector thereof after divine service preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion which done they Returned to the City Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor & high Sheriff were published after which they all went up into the Court Chamber where the New Mayor Assumed the Chair and by Mr Recorder was presented with the Charter and seals of the City which done the Aforesaid Oaths Test & Abjuration Oath as also the Oath for the due Execution of their Respective Offices were Administred to Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Alderman of the Dock Ward John Hutchins ESqr Alderman of the West Ward David Provoost ESqr Aldermen of the North Ward Jeremiah Tothil ESqr Alderman of the East Ward and Johannes Jansen ESqr Alderman of the South Ward Bartholemew Laroux Assistant of the West Ward Benjamin Faneuil Assistant of the East Ward Abraham Ketletas Assistant of the North Ward & Egbert Heermans Assistant of the Out Ward. Jacob Dekey ESqr Alderman of the Out Ward & John Vanhorne Assistant of the Dock Ward being absent.

William Anderson Gent was Sworne Chamberlain or Treasurer of this City for the year Ensueing.

Jeremiah Callcutt was Sworne High Constable of this City for the year Ensueing.

Roger Jones Elias Pelletreau Richard Green William Leathes Abrām Van Laer zachariah syckells and Johannes Meyer were sworne Constables of the Respective Wards of this City for ye year Ensueing.

Order'd that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be Continued in force for three Months longer.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 19th day of October Anno Dom 1703

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothil
Johannes Jansen
} ESqrs Aldermen

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[18] Ordered that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to Mr Johannes Jansen late Treasurer of this City to pay out of the Money late Raised by Act of Genll Assembly to Jeremiah Tothill ESqr and Mr Caleb Cooper A Committee of this Court the sum of fifty pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for the buying Materialls and paying workemen for Labour done upon the City Hall for which sum they are to Account to this Court.

The Petition of James Spencer was read and Ordered the same be under the Consideration of this Court.

Ordered the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds four shilings Currant Money of New Yorke out of the Money Raised for that service itt being for A halfe years Sallary as Clerke of this City due the fourteenth Instant and for pen Ink and paper as appears by his Account which is Allowed.

Ordered the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Wright or Order the sum of fourteen pounds four Shilings and one penny Currant Money of New Yorke out of the Money Raised for that service itt being for one years Sallary as Marshall of this City due & Ending ye fourteenth Instant and for Money by him Disbursted for fire & Candle for the Watch and sundry Other Services as Appears by his Accl which is Allowed.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 23d day of October Anno Dom 1703

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
- Jacobus V: Cortlandt
- John Hutchins
- David Provoost
- Jeremiah Tothill
- Johannes Jansen
- Jacob Dekey

Assistants:
- Benjamin Faneuil
- Bartholemew Laroux
- Abraham Ketletas
- Cornelius D: Peyster

[19] This day this Court have Agreed with Richard Yearsly Robert Drummond Edmond Thomas and Hendrick Bush four able Citizens of

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this City to be the Bellmen of this City from the first day of Novbr Next Ensueing to the first day of April then Next following for the sum of fourty four pounds Currant Money of New Yorke ten pounds whereof to be paid unto them in A Month and the Remainder att the Expiration of the Said Terme. which Service they are duely and diligently to Attend by going Every hour in the Night through the several Streets of this City and publishing the time of the Night and Apprehending all disturbers of the peace Felons Negro and Indian Slaves and Other persons and also to take care that No damage be done in this City by fire or Other Casualties as much as in them lyes and all Other matters & things Relating to the office of Bellmen they are diligently to Attend and Execute during the Terme Aforesaid.

Resolved that Matthias Pooley Painter Nicholas Pooley Taylor and George Booth Joyner, being poor Tradesmen and not able to pay, be made Freemen of this Corporation Gratis.

Order'd that Alderman Cortlandt Mr Faneuil and Mr D Peyster or any two of them be A Committee to Audit the Accts of Mr Johannes Jansen late Treasurer of this City and make Report thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

Order'd that the Arrearage of the City Tax which was payable to Mr Johannes Jansen late Treasurer of this City the tenth day of August last past be paid to the present Treasurer of this City for the uses for which the same was raised.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Munday the first day of November Anno Domini 1703.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen

Assistants:
Bartholomew Laroux
Abraham Ketletas
Benjamin Faneuil
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Egbert Heermans

[20] The Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken Instead

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of the Oaths of Alleigance and Supremacy The Test and Oath of Abjuration were Administred unto John Vanhorne Assistant of the Dock Ward and William Sharpas Town Clerke of this City, and afterwards the Oath of Common Council to the Said John Vanhorne who Accordingly tooke his place.

RESOLVED that A Cage Whipping post pillory and Stocks be forthwith Erected before the City Hall of this City, and that for the Effectual doing thereof itt is hereby ORDERED that the Charge be defrayed out of the Surplusage of the three hundred pounds raised in this City which is not yett Appropriated by this Court and that the same be Applyed to no Other use Whatsoever and ORDERED that Alderman Tothill doe forthwith Agree with workemen and provide Materialls for the doing the same and that Mr Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof, and also that Alderman Tothil doe Call Mr Evetts (the surveyor of this City) to his Assistance, for the better directing of the Said worke.

ORDER'D that the Warrant of fifty pounds directed to Issue the Nineteenth of October last payable to Alderman Tothil and Mr Cooper to be drawn upon the late Treasurer be directed upon the present Treasurer (he promising to this Court) to Receive no Commission for the payment of the same) Any thing in the Order aforesaid to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

ORDER'D Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vezey or Order the sum of five pounds Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke itt being for preaching A sermon on the fourteenth of October last to this Corporation itt being the Anniversary day of Swearing the Mayor & Magistrates thereof &c:

ORDER'D that Mr Vanhorne doe hire persons to Repair and clean the Privy upon the Dock and that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof.

The Petition of James Spencer the farmer of the dock of this City was read therein proposing to surrender his Lease therof upon Terms ORDER'D that Alderman Cortlandt Mr D: Peyster and Mr Vanhorne be A Committee to treat with the Said Spencer, and his securitys Mr Stanton and Mr Huddleston & Know of them upon what Terms they will surrender the same and what satisfaction they are willing to make to this Corporation for their breach of Covenants and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council

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Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the Sixth day of November Anno Dom 1703.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen

Assistants.
Bartholomew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Ketletas
Benjamin Faneuil

The Committee for Auditing the Books and Accompts of Mr Johannes Jansen late Treasurer of this City doe Report that they have Audited the same and that there is in his hands of the Moneys of this Corporation the Sum of seaventy two pounds Nineteen Shillings and one penny Currant Money of New Yorke. Order'd that the Said Mr Jansen doe deliver the Said Moneys with all the Books Accompts writings and papers of this City now in his hands or Custody unto Mr William Anderson present Treasurer of this City whose Receipt for the Same Shall be unto the Said Mr Jansen A sufficient discharge for Soe doing.

Upon Information to this Court given that Mr William Beeckman of this City Brewer hath laid wharfs and is filling up Vacant Land belonging to this Corporation without any Grant for the same. Order'd that Alderman Tothill and Mr Faneuil doe forbid the Sd William Beeckman from filling up the Said Ground or in any wise medling with the same without the Consent and direction of this Court.

Order'd That the Alderman of each Respective Ward within this City doe Command the Respective Constables of the same to goe to Every house and Inspect whether they have the Number of Bucketts Required by the Laws of this City and to Charge Every house Keeper in their several Wards that they forthwith provide Such Number of Bucketts upon pain of being prosecuted as the Law directs and also that they give in Charge to the said Constables to make diligent Search for all Inmates and to Return the Names thereof to the Mayor or

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Alderman of their Respective Wards; and further that they make presentment of all such persons as Shall Neglect or Refuse to clean their Streets and of all such as in any ways break the holy Sabbath or Committ [22] Other Misdemeanors, and that the Said Aldermen doe take Care that the Constables of their Several Wards be diligent in the Execution of this Order, and for default thereof that they present the same to the Mayor or the Court of Gen^{ll} Quarter sessions of the peace in Order they be punished for their Neglect or Refusal as the Law directs.

Order'd that James Wright the Marshall of this City forthwith provide two Cords of firewood for the use of the Courts of this City during this winter and that M^{r} Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the same.

This day James Spencer the farmer of the Dock & Slips of this City & his Sureties Appeared before this Court and prayed this Corporation to Accept A surrender of his Lease thereof upon Condition that he will Assign to this Corporation all the debts due unto him for Dockage he being under Very poor Circumstances Occasioned by sickness and Other Misfortunes which he Implores this Court to take into their Serious Consideration &c: The Court having debated the matter & fully Considered the Circumstances of his Case doe Resolve and itt is hereby Ordered and Resolved that the said James Spencer be discharged from the Said Lease and all Covenants and Conditions thereof and his bond for performance of Covenants Cancelled his Said sureties William Huddleston and George Stanton giving Bond to pay to this Corporation the Sum of Sixty pounds on or before the Eighth day of December Next Ensueing upon which the Said Lease to be Cancelled and declared to be determined and utterly Void and of None Effect.

Order'd That Alderman V: Cortlandt Alderman Provoost Alderman Jansen M^{r} Vanhorne and M^{r} D: Peyster or any four of them whereof Alderman V: Cortlandt to be one be A Committee of this Court to lett to farme the Dock and Slips of this City for which Such Terme of years & to Such person or persons and upon such Covenants and Conditions as they Shall think fitt and most Convenient and Advantagious for the publick benefitt of this Corporation. That they Oblige the Farmer thereof to clean the Said Dock and to Repair and Amend the wharfs thereunto belonging in good and sufficient manner.

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City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on fryday the 19th day of November Anno Dom 1703

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

[23]

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
} ESqrs Aldermen

Bartholomew Laroux
Cornelius D Peyster
Benjamin Faneuil
Abraham Ketletas
} Assistants.

The Report of the Committee for farming the Dock and Slips of this City was read in these words following (Vizt)

That the Said Committee have to farme Letten unto John Ellison of this City the Said great Dock and Slips for the Terme of Nine years upon the Conditions following. That the said John Ellison doth Oblige himselfe to cleanse the said Dock to the hard Sandy foundation in the Terme of two years Commencing from the first day of November Instant. That the Said Ellison is obliged to deliver up the Said Dock att the Expiration of the Said Terme to the City of New Yorke well Cleansed as abovesaid and in good Order.

That the Said Ellison is Obliged to build A Common shoar upon his own Cost and Charge in the broad Street Joyning to the South End of the Common shoar that now is and running from thence in length to the North End of the fish bridge in Said Street and the Said Shoar to be made of good two Inch board or of hard brick as Said Ellison Shall think fitt and the said Common shoar to be fully Compleated in June Next and not Longer and likewise to make A head on the End of the North End of the Said Bridge of good Stockadoes or Stone Wall to the full height of the New Street.

That the Said Ellison is to Make the Dock Wharfe in the same Repair According to the Lease of James Spencer and to Keep the same and to deliver the same to the City att the Expiration of Said Terme in Said Repair According to Said Lease.

That the Said Ellison is Obliged for the performance of those Articles to give in security to the City as the Law directs

That the said Ellison is to pay for three first years one pepper Corne ℔ Annum and for the Six last years the sum of twenty five pounds ℔ Annum to be paid Quarterly during the Said Terme. which

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Report is Approved and ORDERED that Mr Mayor Execute A Lease Accordingly and that the Said Committee in the Name of this Corporation deliver Possession of the demised premisses Accordingly

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Richard Yearsly Robert Drummond Edmond Thomas & Hendrick [24] Bush Bellmen of this City the Sum of ten pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being on Acct. of their Sallary as Bellmen of this City

ORDERED that Alderman Cortlandt and Alderman Tothill be A Committee to desire Mrs French that She deliver to this Court her husbands Acct. of the Money's of this City by him Received and Remaining in his hands during his late Mayorality this Court being Informed he left the same Stated before he went for England and make Report to the next Common Council

The Petition of Mr William Beeckman was read praying leave to lay Stones upon the wharfe to the Eastward of his Sloughter house to secure the same till the matter in dispute between him and the City about the Land be determined and that he have Liberty to Remove the same which petition is Accordingly Granted.

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Munday the 29th day of November Anno Dom 1703

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton Esqr Recorder

Jacobus V: Cortlandt	ESqrs Aldermen
Jeremiah Tothill	
Johannes Jansen	
Bartholomew Laroux	Assistants.
Cornelius D: Peyster	
Benjamin Faneuil	
Abraham Ketletas	

Mr Cooper this day produced the Accts of Phillip French Esqr late Mayor of this City of the moneys Received and paid for the use of this City during his late Mayorality. ORDERED that Alderman Jansen Mr Faneuil Mr D: Peyster and the Treasurer of this City or any three of them be A Committee to Audit the Said Accounts and all Other Accts between him and this City and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council

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John Ellison who lately Agreed with A Committee of this Court to farme the Dock & Slips of this City Acquainted this Court that in his last Treatment with the said Committee for farming the same he Omitted the proposal of Several things which he would have Incerted in his Lease and desires this Court will Appoint the Said Committee [25] further to treat with him about the farming of the said Dock, Itt is therefore ORDERED that the Said Committee doe further treat with him about the farming of the Said Dock and Slips and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council

ORDERED that for the future No Carman within this City doe presume to drive his Cart Over the Common Sewer att the Lower End of the broad Street of this City upon penalty of three Shilings for Every such Offence to be disposed of to Such person or persons who Shall give Information and prosecute the same before the Mayor Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of this City. and that the Said Carmen may not pretend to be Ignorant of this Law itt is hereby further ORDERED that the Foremen of the Said Carmen be served with A Copy thereof.

ORDERED that ten pounds of the Moneys lately paid to the Treasurer by William Huddleston and George Stanton be Appropriated for the Covering of the Markett house by the Custom house Bridge and that Alderman Jansen doe Agree with good workemen forthwith to Cover and Shingle the Said Markett house and that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof.

City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday the 9th day of December Anno Dom 1703.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
Jeremiah Tothil
Johannes Jansen

Assistants.
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Benjamin Faneuil

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[26] John Ellison having fallen from his Agreement made with the Committee for farming the Dock of this City; Therefore this Court have this day lett to farme the Dock and Slips of this City unto Lancaster Symes of the Said City Merch^t Gerrett Vanhorne of the Same place Bolter and Christopher Denne Carpenter for the Terme of twelve years to Commence from the first day of November last past upon the Conditions following (Viz^t)

That the Said Farmers their Executors Adm^rs or Assigns in Consideration thereof Shall for the three first years of the Said Terme pay to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New Yorke their successors or Assigns the yearly Rent on one pepper Corne on the first day of November in Every of the said years if Lawfully demanded and for the Nine Years then Next following the yearly Rent of thirty pounds ℔ Annum Currant Money of New Yorke by four Even Quarterly payments in Every year. That the Said Farmers their Executors Administrators or Assigns Shall and Will within the Terme of two years Commencing from the first day of November last past well and sufficiently clean the Said Dock of all the Mudd Soyle filth and Dirte Soe deep as to A Sandy foundation and the wharfs Inclosing the same Shall put in good and sufficient Repair by making them A foot and A halfe higher then they now are in the highest place with Stockadoes or Other Timber Suitable and the same Shall Cover and load with Dock Mudd According to the Covenants and Conditions att large Mentioned in the Lease made to James Spencer and in Such Order as is therein Mentioned Shall deliver the same to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New Yorke. That the Said Farmers att their own proper Cost and Charge Shall make A Common Sewer from the fish Bridge to the Other Common sewer in the broad Street and to be finished some time in the Month of June Next and to make A head of stone or Stockadoes the heighth of the Bridge att the North End thereof. That the Said Farmers have and Receive to their own use during the Terme of the Said Lease all the profitts of the Dock and Slips of this City with Liberty to Erect Soe many Cranes thereon as they Shall think fitt and to Receive the profitts thereof during the Terme of their Lease and att the Expiration thereof to Remove and take away the same if they think Convenient. That the Said Farmers Give Bond with Sureties if Required for performance of Covenants in the Sum of Six hundred pounds. A Clause of Reentry for non payment of the Rent and Other usual Covenants to be [27] Incerted in the Lease. That the Farmers have Liberty to fill up A Corner of the Dock Next Alderman Cortlandts and also A Slip of the Dock on the West

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Side thereof Next to white Hall or to Clean the same att their discretion.

ORDER'D that Mr Mayor Execute A Lease Accordingly

ORDERD that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Jansen or Order the sum of Six pounds Seaventeen Shilings and Nine pence Currant Money of New Yorke being Money by him disbursted for the Shingling the Markett house by the Custom house over and above the ten pounds Ordered him the last Common Council

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Wright Marshall of this City two pounds five Shilings Currt Money of New Yorke being Money by him disbursted for firewood for the use of the Courts of this City and for Lime & Cleaning the Assembly Room.

City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 11th day of December Anno Domini 1703

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
David Provoost, Jeremiah Tothill, Johannes Jansen } ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholomew Laroux, Benjamin Faneuil, Abraham Keteltas } Assistants

Mr Gabriel Ludlow being Elected one of the Assessors of the East Ward of this City hath made Application to this Court that he is not Obliged to Serve in that Office by reason of his being Clerk of the Genll Assembly of this Province and prays Another proper person be Elected in his Room to Serve in that office. ORDERED that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the Said Ward for the Electing A fitt person to serve in the Said Office untill the fourteenth day of October Next Ensueing Pursuant to the directions of the Act of Genll Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act to Enable the City

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of New Yorke to Supply the Vacancy of Such publick Elective Magistrates and Officers as may dye, Remove or Otherwise be incapacitated to Serve before the time of Annual Election.

[28] Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Munday the thirteenth day of December Anno Dom 1703.

Present William Peartree ESq^r Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESq^r Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins } ESq^rs Aldermen
Jeremiah Tothil
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas } Assistants.
Cornelius D: Peyster

The Memorial of Dirck Benson the Farmer of the Ferry of this City was read Setting forth that this City hath Sued his Bond for performance of Covenants and that an Action is now depending in the Supream Court of this Province on the Same for the Ending of which Controversie he humbly begs leave to Represent that the profitts and Advantages Arising by the Said Ferry are greatly diminished from what the Same were formerly, That by the great Rent and the Charges of Supplying the Said Ferry he is greatly Impoverished in his Substance and unable to bear the great Expence and Charge of A tedious Law Suite or to hold and Continue the Ferry under the Terms and Covenants Mentioned in his Lease without the utter Ruine of his family therefore most humbly proposeth this Court will be pleased to Appoint A Committee to Enquire into the great hardships he lyes under and that all matters and Controversies between him and this City be fairly and Amicably Adjusted without the Severe Rules of the Law Agreeable to Justice & Equity itt is therefore hereby Ordered that the members of this Court now present and the Rest of the Aldermen and Assistants of this Corporation or any five of them be A Committee to hear and Receive the proposals of the Said Dirck Benson and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council and itt is further Ordered that the Said Committee doe meet att the City Hall to morrow morning att ten A Clock to hear and Receive the Said proposals.

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Att A Court of Common Council held att the City Hall of Said City on Thursday the 23d day of December Anno Dom 1703

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

Jacobus V Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothil
Johannes Jansen
} ESqrs Aldermen

[29]
Bartholomew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas
} Assistants.

Dirck Benson by Mr Bickley his Attorney Acknowledging the City's Kindness in their Overture to him but praying that the City would please to Release him from his demise of the ferry and he would presently pay the whole Rent as he tooke itt from his first Entring thereon till this Christmas now Next Ensueing with all the Charges of Law that have Accrued thereupon or Else that he would pay the Rent past as above and pay yearly for the Remaining terme of the Lease the Sum of Seaventy pounds ℔ annum upon which proposal this Court will take time to consider.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday ye 27th day of January Anno Dom 1703[-4]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
} Esqrs Aldermen

Bartholemew Laroux
Abraham Ketletas
Benjamin Faneuil
John Vanhorne
} Assistants

This Court having Maturely Considered the proposals of Dirck Benson the farmer of the Ferry of this City doe Resolve that if the

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Said dirck Benson will forthwith pay to this Corporation the Arrearage of Rent due for the said ferry and premisses According to the Covenants of his Lease to the twenty fifth day of November last past and all the Cost & Charges of Court which have Accrued by reason of his non payment thereof that then this Court will Abate him thirty pounds ℔ Annum for the Remaining Terme of the Said Lease yett to Come & unexpired, he the said Dirck Benson and his Assigns Obliging themselves to Land all Flower brought Over to this City in the ferry Boats att the Slip att Burgers path and also to Land passengers and Other Commodities brought Over one tide att the said Slip att Burgers path and the Other tide att Countess Key, and that upon the said Dirck Benson's payment of the [30] Arrearage of the Rent Aforesaid this Corporation will discharge the Mortgage of the Said Ferry made to John Cornelius sue that if the Said Dirck Benson Refuse to Comply with this Resolution that then the Action now depending Against him for the said Rent be prosecuted to the uttmost and Otherwise the same to be withdrawn

Order'd that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation which were published and Continued in force the fourteenth day of October last past be Continued in force for three Months Longer.

Order'd that the Treasurer doe attend the Council of this City and the Auditors Appointed with such Books Papers and Accts as they Shall think Requisite for the Auditing the Accts of Mr ISaac D. Riemer & Mr Evert Beyvanke late Treasurers of this City for which service this Court will Allow A Reasonable satisfaction

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 4th day of february Anno Dom 1703[-4]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldermen:
- Jacobus V: Cortlandt
- John Hutchins
- David Provoost
- Jeremiah Tothill
- Johannes Jansen

Assistants:
- Bartholemew Laroux
- Benjamin Faneuil
- Cornelius D Peyster
- Abraham Ketletas

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The Acct of Mr Brandt Schuyler late one of the Aldermen of this City was prefer'd to this Court. Order'd that Alderman Provoost Alderman Johnson Mr D: Peyster Mr Faneuil and the Treasurer of this City or any three of them doe Audit the Said Acct Order'd also that they Audit the Acct of the Widdow V: Cortlandt and make their Report to the Next Common Council.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas Town Clerke of this City or Order the Sum of Nine pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for Recording the [31] Tax Roles of this City and County from the fifteenth day of July One thousand Six hundred Ninety Seaven to the twenty Eight day of December One thousand Seaven hundred and three which was Allowed in Genll Quarter sessions as A County Charge.

Ordered that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Ebenezer Willson ESqr or Order the sum of Six pounds One Shiling and three halfe pence Currant Money of New Yorke itt being Money by him disburst when Sheriff of this City for an Inquisition on A dead body and for Iron worke Plank Nails and workmanship for the Goals of this City which was Allowed in Genll Quarter sessions held in this City the Second Inst as A County Charge.

Ordered the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to George Clarke ESqr secretary of this Province or Order the sum of two pounds Eight Shilings Curr: Money of New Yorke itt being for the present Commission of the peace.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Saturday ye 12th day of February Anno Dom 1703[-4]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jensen } ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Laroux
Benjamin Faneuil
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas } Assistants.

The Committee for Auditing the Acct of Gertruy Van Cortlandt

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Executrix of Coll Stephanus V: Cortlandt deceased doe Report that there is due to the Said Executrix from this Corporation the Sum of thirty five pounds Sixteen Shilings and Nine pence for Timber Plank Beer Sheet Lead &c: as Appears by her Acct which they believe to be A true Acct and that there is also due unto her as Administratrix of her son Johannes Van Cortlandt deceased the sum of three pounds ten Shilings and Nine pence for Boards and timber Sold by the Said Johannes V: Cortlandt in his life time for the use of this City which Report is Approved and ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the same.

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ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday ye 17th day of March Anno Dom 1703[-4]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

John Hutchins
Jeremiah Tothill } ESqrs Aldermen
Johannes Jansen

Bartholomew Laroux
Benjamin Faneuil
Cornelius D: Peyster } Assistants.
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas

ORDER'D that the Sheriff of this City doe forthwith provide Materials and imploy workemen for ye making the Goal of this City Sufficient for the holding of Felons and that this Corporation will pay the Charge thereof he Exhibiting to this Court an acct of the same

ORDER'D that the Sheriff of this City doe forthwith Provide Materialls & Imploy workmen for ye making of A Convenient & sufficient Prison for debtors on the upper Story of the City Hall att the East End thereof and that the Same be of the bigness as this Court have this day directed and that this Corporation will pay the Charge thereof he Exhibited to this Court an acct of the same.

ORDERED Mr Recorder Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Peartree ESqr Mayor of this City or Order the sum of five pounds Seaven Shilings and three pence Currant Money of New Yorke

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itt being Money by him laid out for A Bonfire and wine on the fifth day of November last being Gunpowder Treason day.

WHEREAS Lancaster Symes Gerrett Vanhorne and Christopher Denne The Farmers of the Dock hath Complained that Sundry Boats frequently Come into the Dock and Slips of this City and the Masters thereof Refuse to pay unto them the Customary Rates for Dockage and that before they can gett the Mayor's Officer to summons them before the Mayor [33] to Cause them to make payment as Aforesaid they weigh Anchor and are gone whereby they are defrauded of their Just dues to their Grievious damage and have prayed the Aid of this Court in the premisses and that they may have Authority Granted to take the body of any person that Shall Refuse to pay unto them the Customary Dockage due for Vessells Sloops and boats which lye within the Dock or Slips of this City and to Carry them before the Mayor in Order to have Judgment agt them for the Customary dockage due as Aforesaid. Itt is therefore hereby Ordained that the said Lancaster symes Gerrett Vanhorne & Christopher Denne or any one of them be and are hereby Authorized to take and bring before the Mayor of this City any person or persons who is Indebted unto them for Dockage as Aforesaid in Order the said Mayor may Award Judgment and Execution for the same.

The Petition of Hendrick Vanderhule was read praying he have Liberty to make A Cellar under ground before his dwelling house in the Dock Street twelve foot into the Street, which Petition is Accordingly granted he Compleating the same in six working days after he breaks up the Street and making the Same Soe Strong that the way be secure.

ORDERED the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Anderson Treasurer of this City or Order the sum of Six pounds twelve Shilings and four pence halfe penny Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for A Lanthorn and A Glass for the Bellmen & for Wood and wine att A Bonfire on the Sixth day of february last past being her Majesties birth day.

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Jeremiah Tothill and Mr Caleb Cooper the sum of twelve pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for Materialls and paying workmen Imployed on the City Hall Pursuant to an Order made the Ninth day of March 1702 for the which they are to Acct to this Corporation.

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Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday the 23d day of March Anno Dom 1703[-4]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt } ESqrs Aldermen
John Hutchins }
[34] David Provoost } ESqrs Aldermen
Johannes Jansen }
Jeremiah Tothill }
Bartholemew Laroux } Assistants
Benjamin Faneuil }
Abraham Ketletas }
John Vanhorne }

Order'd that all the wharfs on the North Side of the Dock be forthwith made Compleat Raised and paved in such manner & forme as is Mentioned in the Grants of the Respective Lotts of Ground fronting the same, That the Respective persons or Owners of the Lotts fronting the Said Dock doe Cause the Said Street to be Raised & Levelled and paved in Such manner and forme as the Said Street Now is before the door of Mr John Vanhorne and that the Said Wharfs and Street be soe Compleated and finished on or before the first day of May Next Ensueing upon pain of being sued att Law for breach of Covenants and that the Marshall of this City doe Read this Order to the Owners of the said Lotts of Land and dwellers in the houses fronting the said Dock in Order the same be duely Effected.

Order'd also that the Marshall Warne all the Inhabitants of the said Street to Remove the timber Lumber Barrells Staves Rubish and Other Trash wherewith the Said Streets are Incumbred upon pain of being prosecuted as the Law directs.

Order'd that itt shall and may be Lawfull for any person or persons Whatsoever to Kill any Swine that Shall be found Running att large in the Streets or Commons of this City on the south side of the fresh water any former Law of this City to the Contrary Notwithstanding

Order'd that if any person or persons Whatsoever within this City or Liberties thereof Shall att any time hereafter dig any holes in the Commons of this City on the south side of the fresh water or take or Carry away any earth or Mould or Shall Cut take or Carry Away any sodds or Turfe of any part of the said Commons Shall for Every such

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Offence forfeit & pay the sum of fourty shilings Currant Money of New Yorke the one halfe thereof to the use [35] of the Informer and the Other halfe thereof to the use of this Corporation to be Recovered by plaint before the Mayor or any o[ne] of the Aldermen of the said City upon the Testimony of one or more sufficient Wittnesses

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of ye Said City on Munday ye 3d day of April Anno Dom 1704

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
samson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost Junr
Jeremiah Tothill
Jacob Dekey.
} ESqrs Alderman

Bartholemew Laroux
Benjamin Faneuil
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Abraham Ketletas
Egbert Heermans
} Assistants.

This Court having again duely Considered the proposals of Dirck Benson the farmer of the ferry of this City doe further Resolve that if the Said Dirick Benson will forthwith pay to this Corporation the Arrearage of Rent due for the said Ferry and premisses According to the Covenants of his lease to the twenty fifth day of November last past, that then this Court will abate him thirty pounds ℔ Annum for the Remaining Terme of the said Lease yett to Come and unexpired he the said Dirck Benson Covenanting with this Corporation to land all Flower brought over to this City in the ferry Boats att the Slip att Burgers path and also to Land passengers and Other Commodities brought over one tide att the said Slip att Burgers path and the Other tide att Countess Key and that upon the said Dirck Bensons payment of the Arrearage of the Rent Aforesaid this Corporation will discharge the Mortgage of the said Ferry made to Jan Cornelisse Sue, that if the said Dirck Benson Refuse to Comply with this Resolution that then the Action now depending Against him for the said Rent be prosecuted to the uttmost Otherwise the same to be withdrawn.

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[36] ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Anderson Treasurer of this City or Order the sum of thirteen pounds seaventeen Shilings and Six pence Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke itt being for his service in Attending the Committee of Common Council Appointed for Reviewing & Examining the Books and Acc^{ts} of the three late Treasurers of this City & drawing out Abstracts of the several Orders and Warrants drawn upon the Said Treasurers and sundry Other services for this Corporation in going Over to Brookland to farme the ferry &c: which is Allowed

RESOLVED that John Marsh have Liberty to Experiment the drayning of the Cellars of this City att his own Charge and y^{t} if he bring the same to perfection in A year and A day after the date hereof that then he have A grant for doing of the same Excluding all Others from making any benefitt or Advantage of the said projection

This Court being Informed that the Widdow Rombouts and sundry Other persons on the West side of the Broad way are levelling the fortifications and about to fence in the Street fronting to Hudsons River. ORDERED that Alderman Hutchins and M^{r} Laroux doe forthwith warne them from soe doeing upon *paid* [pain] of being prosecuted att Law.

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Richard Yearsly Robert Drummond Edmond Thomas and Hendrick Bush Bellmen of this City on Their Order the sum of thirty four pounds Currant Money of New Yorke which with ten pounds already paid them is in full of their sallary as Bellmen from the first day of November last past to the first Instant.

City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of y^{e} Said City on Tuesday y^{e} 11th day of April Anno Dom$\overline{\text{i}}$ 1704.

Present William Peartree ESq^{r} Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESq^{r} Recorder

Jacobus V Cortlandt
Jeremiah Tothill } ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Johannes Jansen

[37] Benjamin Faneuil
Bartholomew Laroux } Assistants
Cornelius D: Peyster

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ORDERED that Mr Johannes Provoost doe deliver unto the Treasurer of this City all Books Accts papers and writings belonging to or Relating to the building of the City Hall and that his Receipt be a sufficient discharge unto him for the same.

The Petition of Sundry Principal Inhabitants of this City was read praying A Method be taken for preventing Retaile and whole sale Vendues within this Corporation (Except by the Freemen thereof) the Allowance whereof having drayned not only the City but the whole Province of the Currant Cash to the Very great Grieviance of the same. ORDER'D that this Corporation lay before his Excellency the Governour this great Grieviance and pray [his] Lordship to Recommend to the Genll Assembly that A Bill be passed for the Effectual preventing thereof and that Mr Recorder prepare the same.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer of this City to pay to William Sharpas Town Clerke of this City or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds Sixteen Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe A years Sallary as Clerke of this Court due and Ending the fourteenth Instant and also for drawing and Engrossing the Lease of the Dock which is allowed.

AN ORDINANCE of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New Yorke Convened in Common Council for the preventing of Frauds and Abuses in firewood Commonly Called Cord wood.

FORASMUCH as great frauds and Abuses have of late and still are dayly Committed in bringing to this City and Exposing here to Sale great quantities of fire wood Commonly Called Cord wood not more than three foot long (Whereas the same ought to be four foot long att the least) to the great Opression of the poor of the Said City and the defrauding all Others Inhabiting the same. for Remedy whereof and preventing the like abuses for the future Be itt therefore ORDAINED by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the Said City Convened in Common Council and itt is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that if any fire wood Commonly Called Cord wood Shall be brought into this City or Liberties thereof in any Sloop Boat or Other Vessell after the first day [38] of July Next Ensueing the date hereof which Shall be less in length then four feet English measure the Master of Such Boat Sloop or Other Vessell or the person who Shall have the Charge of Such Sloop Boat Vessell and firewood Shall for Every such offence forfeit and pay the sum of fourty Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke one halfe thereof to be to the use of him or them who Shall

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give Information of the defaults Aforesaid and the other halfe to the use of this Corporation to be Recovered by plaint before the Mayor, Recorder or any two of the Aldermen of the Said City Dated att the City Hall the 11th day of April Anno Dom 1704 And in the third year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lady Anne by the Grace of God of England scotland France and Ireland Queen Defender of the faith &c:

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on saturday ye Sixth day of May Anno Dom 1704

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor &c:
Sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

Aldermen:
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen

Assistants:
Bartholemew Laroux
John Vanhorne
Benjamin Faneuil
Cornelius D: Peyster

Order'd Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Peter Ryckman or Order the Sum of fourteen Shilings and five pence Currant Money of New Yorke itt being Money by him paid to the Receiver Genll of this Province for the making good the difficiencies of the East Ward of this City of the £2000 Tax.

Ordered that Alderman Provoost Alderman Tothill Mr Vanhorne and Mr Faneuil or any three of them be A Committee to Enquire what quantity of Land there is belonging to this City between Low water marke and the Land of Mr William Beeckman att the Lower end of Queen Street and that for the better Effecting thereof they call the surveyors of this City to their Assistance.

[39] Order'd that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation which were Continued in force the twenty Seaventh day of January last past be Continued in force for three Months longer.

Ordered that Mr Recorder draw A Bill in Order to be presented to the Genll Assembly of this Province to prohibit the selling of all

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goods Wares and Merchandizes within this City by publick Vendue Except the goods and Chattells of persons deceased Ships or prize goods and that Mr Mayor Speak to the Representatives of this Corporation to press the passing of the same and also that Mr Recorder Acquaint his Excellency the Genll therewith to Know his Lordship's pleasure therein.

Ordered that Alderman Cortlandt and Mr D: Peyster be A Committee to treat with Mr Outman Mr Cooper and Mr Samuell Bayard about A Small Slip of Land lying in the Dock Street wch is A Surplusage of the whole Lotts of that Street which Slip was Granted to the said Mr Outman but does not lye in the place Mentioned in the said Grant and that they Endeavour to Accommodate the difference among them Relating to the said Slip of Land and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

Ordered that Thomas Byerley ESqr her Majesties Receiver of this Province and George Clarke ESqr secretary of the same be Complimented with the freedom of this City

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Munday yr 22d day of May Anno Dom 1704.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
} ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Laroux
John Vanhorne
Cornelius D: Peyster
} Assistants.

[40] Order'd that the well Opposite the dwelling house of Capt Corbett and the well Opposite to Cornelius Quick's house in Beaver Street be forthwith filled up and also that the well in the Wall Street fronting to the Smiths Street be forthwith Stopped up and Covered att the Charge of this Corporation and that Mr Mayor give Orders for the Effectual doing thereof.

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City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of ye Said City on thursday ye 25th day of May Anno Dom 1704

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
} ESqrs Aldermen
Benjamin Faneuil
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
} Assistants

The Committee for Enquiring into the quantity of Land belonging to this City between the Land of Mr Beeckman and Low water marke Report in these words following (Viz:) Pursuant to the Order of Common Council in the Other Side to us directed wee haue Caused the Land Expressed to be Surveyed and finde that there is between Mr Beeckmans Land and low water marke Eight thousand Nine hundred twenty five foot as Appears by the Survey of Mr James Evetts New Yorke May ye 22d 1704. D: Provoost Jeremiah Tothill Benjamin Faneuil.

Whereupon itt is Ordered that the same Committee doe Agree with the Said William Beeckman about the Sale thereof if he be disposed to purchase and that they make no Agreement under three pence ℔ foot.

Ordered that Mrs Jael Ratier Widdow of Jacob Ratier late of this City Marriner deceased have Liberty to follow any Lawfull Trade or Imployment within this Corporation for the better Obtaining A livelyhood for her and her family during her well behaving her selfe any former Law of this Corporation to the Contrary Notwithstanding

[41] Mr Thomas Coddrington having desired of this Court to purchase of this Corporation A Certain Gore of Land Scituate and being between the Rear of his fence and the Common Road or highway Containing about fourty Acres. Resolved the Same Land be not Sold but Leased for A Terme of years as this Corporation & the Said Mr Coddrington can Agree.

Ordered that the Wall Street from the Corner of Smiths Street to the Corner of the broadway near the English Church on the South Side of the Said Street be forthwith paved ten foot into the Said Street

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and the Aldermen of the Respective Wards in which the same lyeth doe Order the Effectual doing thereof & direct the surveyors of this City to lay out the same, and that if any person or persons Shall Refuse to Pave According to Such directions that he her or they be lyable to Such pains and penalties as are att large Mentioned and Contained in an Ordinance or Law of this Corporation Entituled An Ordinance for paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys of this City &c:

ORDERED that the pavement of the Stone Street within this City be forthwith taken up and the Said Street New paved with the Channell or Gutter to run through the Middle of the street and that the same be Compleatly finished on or before the first day of August Next Ensueing under Such pains and penalties as are Mentioned and Contained in the Ordinance of this City for paving &c: and that Alderman Jansen and Mr D: Peyster Acquaint the Inhabitants of the Said Street with this Order.

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Fryday ye Eleaventh day of July Anno Dom 1704.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus Van Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen } ESqrs Aldermen
John Vanhorne
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas } Assistants

[42] ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Anderson Treasurer of this City or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds Six Shilings Currant Money of New Yorke itt being Money by him disburst for two Bonfires Wine &c: on the Eighth of March and on the thirteenth of April last past being the Anniversary days of the Proclaiming & Coronation of her present Majesty Queen Anne.

WHEREAS the Inhabitants of Pearl Street have Complained that sundry Inhabitants on the South Side of the Said Street fronting to the River have suffered the Street or wharfs before their Respective houses

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to run to Ruine & decay for want of Nessessary Reparations insomuch that Carts Cannot pass the same to Supply several of the Inhabitants with firewood and Other Nessessarys and also that if the same be not Speedily Repaired the Inhabitants of the said Street may suffer Extream damage by the Incroachm^{t} of the Sea. Itt is therefore hereby ORDERED that the Inhabitants in the Rear of Pearl Street on the South Side thereof from the Corner house of John Ellison to the Lott of M^{r} Hawden doe forthwith Sufficiently make up and Repair the Street or highway Aforesaid soe wide and in such manner as the same has lately been Kept in Repair upon pain of being prosecuted for their Neglect thereof.

ORDERED that M^{r} Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Executors or Adm^{rs} of John Cooley late of this City Blacksmith deceased the Sum of Six pounds Eleaven Shilings Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke itt being for Iron worke done to A Battery of Guns under the Trees on the East Side of Burgers path in the year

The Petition of M^{r} Rip Van Dam was read praying A Grant or Lease of the swamp lying to the Northward of M^{r} Beeckmans Orchard ORDER'D that Alderman Tothill & M^{r} Faneuil be A Committee to Enquire what parte of the said swamp is the property of this City & the Quantity thereof & make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

[43] City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 21th day of July Anno Dom^{i} 1704

Present William Peartree ESq^{r} Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESq^{r} Recorder

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
} ESq^{rs} Aldermen

Cornelius D: Peyster
Bartholomew Laroux
Benjamin Faneuil
John Vanhorne
Abraham Ketletas
} Assistants.

Richard Green late Constable of the West Ward of this City having absented himselfe from the Corporation whereby there is Vacancy of

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that Office. Itt is therefore hereby ORDERED that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the said Ward that he Cause summons the Inhabitants of the said Ward to Choose Another proper person to serve as Constable in his Room and that he make Return thereof to morrow att twelve A Clock att Noon.

MEMORANDUM John Hutchins ESqr Returned that John Willemse Roome was Elected to serve as Constable for the said Ward untill the fourteenth day of October Next pursuant to the Warrant unto him directed & the said John Willemse Roome was Sworn Constable Accordingly.

ORDERED that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation be Continued in force untill further Order.

City of New Yorke } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday ye 15th day of August Anno Dom 1704.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
*[43] Sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
Jeremiah Tothill
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
} ESqrs Aldermen.

Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas
} Assistants

Upon A further Application to this Court by Dirck Benson the farmer of the ferry Showing to this Court the great decay of the Revenue thereof Occasioned by the late sickness, by Another ferry being Settled att yellow hooke, and by the Transportation of the Corne of long Island Another way and by Severall Other ways and means which he can most Certainly demonstrate Insomuch that he solemnly protests he Cannot hold the same According to his Lease without the utter Ruine of him and his family and therefore prays that he be Admitted to Surrender his Lease and that he will pay Seaven hundred pounds for the Terme thereby Granted for the said ferry &c: upon A New Lease upon the same Covenants of the present Lease the Rent only Excepted and that he will pay one hundred pounds in a week and one

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hundred pounds more in a Month following and the Remainder in such Reasonable time as this Court Shall think Convenient &c: Whereupon itt is Resolved that the said Dirck Benson Shall pay to this Corporation one hundred pounds ℔ Annum Rent for the said ferry, that he pay one hundred pounds thereof to this Corporation in a Week and one hundred pounds more in a Month following And the Remainder of the said seaven hundred pounds in A Year after. That he Shall have No Advantage by the buying of the Mortgage of the ferry nor take any Interest therefore since the Entry of John Cornelius Sue. That itt be a Covenant in the New Lease to land all Flower att the Slip att Burgers path and passengers and Other goods att the same place on Thursdays Frydays and Saturdays and att Other times where the people pleases. And that he pay all the Charges of the Law which have Accrued by the Actions Commenced about the premisses.

[44] The Petition of the Rector Church Wardens and Vestry men of Trinity Church was read praying A Release of the Title of this Corporation to the Land Adjacent to the Church & buryal place &c: Ordered that Aldermen Provoost Alderman Tothill and Alderman Jansen or any two of them be a Committee to Examine into the Quantity of the Land Desired by the Petitioners and what parte thereof belongs to this Corporation and make Report thereof to the first Common Council.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on fryday the 25th day of August Anno Dom 1704.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

Jacobus V: Cortlandt
John Hutchins
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
} ESqrs Aldermen

Bartholomew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas
} Assistants.

The Committee Appointed to Enquire who has the property to the Swamp lying to the Northward of Mr Beeckman's Orchard doe Report that they have Examined severall Antient Patents and finde they are all bounded upon the same swamp and that the Right and property thereof is in this Corporation. Ordered that Alderman Van Cortlandt and

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Alderman Tothill be A Committee to treat with Mr Van Dam or any Other person or persons about farming of the said swamp for the Terme of twenty one years and make A Report of what proposals are made to them Relating thereunto to the Next Common Council.

Order'd that Alderman Cortlandt Alderman Tothill and Mr D: Peyster be A Committee to View the Land desired to be demised by Mr Coddrington & Report the Quantity and upon what Terms he would farme the same.

[45] Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Bradford or Order the sum of two pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for the New Common Council Booke.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday the 30th day of August Anno Dom 1704

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
Jacob Dekey
} ESqrs Aldermen

Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas
Egbert Heermans
} Assistants.

Pursuant to an Act of Genll Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act to Enable the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New Yorke for the time being to Raise Money upon the Freeholders and Inhabitants thereof for defraying their publick and Nessessary Charges Annuall. itt is hereby Resolved that the Sum of two hundred pounds Currant Money of New Yorke be Raised upon the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the said City for the making of sufficient Goals for the paying to Alderman Jeremiah Tothill the sum of thirty one pounds ten Shilings and ten pence being the Quota of this City for the finishing the Assembly Room and Lobby for paying the Sallary's of the Officers and for the defraying Other publick and Nessessary Charges of this City. That the Mayor forthwith Issue his Warrant to the Assessors for the making the said Tax Pursuant to the directions of the said Act

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and that the same be paid to the Treasurer of this City for the time being on the Sixeenth day of October Next Ensueing the date hereof. and that he pay the same by the direction of this Court and not Otherwise

[46] City of New Yorke } SS

City Hall ye Said City on Saturday the Att A Common Council held att the 2d day of September Anno Dom 1704

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt, John Hutchins, Jeremiah Tothill } ESqrs Aldermen
Johannes Jansen, Bartholemew Laroux, Cornelius D: Peyster, John Vanhorne } Assistants

Ordered that the Warrants Issued to Madam Gertruy Van Cortlandt the twelfth day of February last past be paid out of the two hundred pounds lately Raised any former Order to the Contrary Notwithstanding and Ordered the Treasurer take Notice hereof Accordingly.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1704

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt, John Hutchins, David Provoost, Jeremiah Tothill, Johannes Jansen } ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Laroux, Cornelius D: Peyster, John Vanhorne, Abraham Ketletas } Assistants.

Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of

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each Respective Ward of this City for the Electing this day one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one Petty Constable in each Respective Ward of the Said City and two Assessors two Collectors two petty Constables and four Overseers of the highways for the Bowry and Harlem divisions of the [47] Out Ward of the Said City to Serve in their Respective Offices for the Year Ensueing According to the usage Custom Laws & Ordinances of the said City and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof att twelve of the Clock att noon to the Office of Town Clerke under the hands & Seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenor of the aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Viz!)

Dock Ward	Robert Lurting	Alderman
	John Vanhorne	Assistant
	Bartholemew Feurt, William Bradford	Assessors
	Gerrett Duyckinck	Collector
	Johannes Burger	Constable
South Ward	Johannes Jansen	Alderman
	Cornelius D: Peyster	Assistant
	Stephen Richard, John Ellison	Assessors
	Gerrett Viele	Collector
	Andries Bresteade	Constable
West Ward	Dirck Vanderburgh	Alderman
	Olphert Suert	Assistant
	Tobias Stoutenburgh, Johannes Van Gelder	Assessors
	Jacobus Bayard	Collector
	Jan Willemse Roome	Constable
East Ward	Jeremiah Tothill	Alderman
	Richard Harris	Assistant
	Abraham Wendall, John Burrow	Assessors
	Andries Abramse	Collector
	William Pell	Constable
North Ward	David Provoost	Alderman
	Abraham Keteltas	Assistant
	Jacob Bennett, Albertus Ringo	Assessors
	Abraham Kip	Collector
	Charles Wolley	Constable

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Out Ward	Jacob Dekey	Alderman	for the Bowry division
	Egbert Heermans	Assistant	
	Phillip Minthorn	Assessor	
	Hendrick Brevoort	Collector	
	Thomas Eckerse	Constable	
	Johannes Benson	Surveyors of Highways	
	David Mendevil		
[48] Out Ward	Thomas Turneur	Assessor	Constable. Harlem Division
	Sampson Benson	Collector	
	Abraham Delamontagne	Surveyors of Highways	
	Johannes Waldron		
	George Hooms		

The Copy of an Order of Council was read wherein his Excellency Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt Genll and Governour in Chiefe of this Province by and with the advice and Consent of her Majestys Council of the same was pleased to Nominate and Appoint Coll William Peartree to be Mayor of this City for the Year Ensueing and Also Ebenezer Willson ESqr to be high Sheriff of the said City and County for the said year Ensueing

Resolved that William Anderson Gent Present Treasurer of this City be Continued Treasurer or Chamberlain of the Said City for the year Ensueing he giving Sufficient Sureties to this Corporation for the due Execution of that Office and yt all Treasurers succeeding him doe give such sureties.

The Mayor has Appointed Jeremiah Callcutt Butcher to be High Constable of this City for the year Ensueing.

Ordered that the Treasurer buy three books for Records of this City & deliver the same to the Town Clerke and Charge this Corporation Debitor therewith which Shall be Allowed upon his Acct

Order'd that Alderman Jansen Mr D: Peyster and Mr Vanhorne be A Committee to Audite the Accts of Mr Ellison & Mr Keteltas & make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

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City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the third day of October Anno Dom 1704

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder
Jacobus V: Cortlandt
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
David Provoost } ESqrs Alderman
[49] Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas } Assistants

The Petition of Mr Charles Wolley Merchr was read Setting forth that on the twenty Ninth day of September last past he was Chosen Constable of the North Ward of this City for the year Ensueing, in which Office he Alleadges he Cannot serve by Reason of the Multiplicity of business in Trade & Merchandize and desires A Warrant Issue for A New Election for that office & that his fine be Remitted

Order'd that the Said Charles Wolley pay to the Treasurer of this City the sum of five pounds for his fine in not serving in the said office as the Law directs and that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant for A New Election of that office.

Resolved Nemine Contra dicente that the said fine of five pounds be Remitted to the said Charles Wolley any former Law or Order to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

Resolved that Jacob Regnier ESqr Barrister att Law be Complemented with the Freedom of this City.

Resolved that Sixty Acres of Land lying upon this Island be Leased unto Mr Thomas Coddrington of this City Genr for the Terme of twenty one years att the Rate of Six pence ℔ Acre yearly begining where the North West Line between William Hooms and the said Coddringtons Lotts End that Line Extending itt Selfe to the Road or highway thence along and between the Road and the Harlem Line Running North till itt makes up the Number of Sixty Acres which Shall be Confin'd by Another Line Running North West and south East between and A Cross from the Road to the Said Harlem Line That the Said Coddrington Shall [be] att the Charge of Surveying and drawing the Lease and all Other Charges Relating thereunto. That att the Expira-

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tion thereof he Shall leave A sufficient fence round the demised Premisses, and that Mr Mayor Execute a Lease Accordingly.

Resolved that the Swamp on the North Side the Orchard of Mr William Beeckman of this City Brewer be demised to Mr Rip Van Dam for the Terme of twenty one years for the [50] Yearly Rent of twenty Shilings ℔ Annum he being att the Charge of Surveying and drawing the Lease and att the Expiration of the Terme to Surrender and yield up the Same to this Corporation wth all the Improvements and that Mr Mayor Execute A Lease Accordingly.

Resolved that the Law for the Ascertaining the demensions of firewood be Repealed till the first day of December Next Ensueing.

The Committee Appointed to Audit the Acct of John Ellison Joyner doe Report that they have Examined the same and that there is due to him four pounds Sixteen Shilings and seaven pence halfe penny Currant Money of New Yorke and no more for Plank Nails and worke done about the Rails Round the markett house by the Bridge. which Report is Approved and Ordered Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the same.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 14th day of October Anno Dom 1704.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Sampson Shelton Broughton ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Jacob Dekey
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
} ESqrs Aldermen

John Vanhorne
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Olphert Suert
} Assistants.

This being the Anniversary day of Swearing the New Mayor High Sheriff Aldermen Assistants Treasurer High Constable Petty Constables &c: William Peartree ESqr being Attended by the Recorder High Sheriff Aldermen Assistants Treasurer Assessors Collectors [51] Constables and Other Officers of this City According to the usual

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formality waited upon his Excellency the Capt Genll & Gouvernour in Chiefe of this Province in Council att Fort Anne who then administred to the said William Peartree ESqr Mayor and Ebenezer Willson ESqr high Sheriff the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and Supremacy & the Test and the Oath of Abjuration and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Accordingly deliver'd unto them their Respective Commissions whereupon the Mayor Attended as aforesaid with the like formality waited upon his Excellency the Governour to Trinity Church where the Reverend Mr William Vesey the Rector thereof after divine service preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion which done the Mayor &c: Returned to the City Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor & high Sheriff were published after which they all went up into the Court Room where the Mayor Resumed the Chair and the Aforesaid Oaths Test and abjuration Oath were Administred unto David Provoost ESqr Alderman of the North Ward Jacob Dekey Alderman of the Out Ward Jeremiah Tothill ESqr Alderman of the East Ward Johannes Jansen ESqr Alderman of the South Ward Robert Lurting ESqr Alderman of the Dock Ward & Dirck Vanderburgh ESqr Alderman of the West Ward, Cornelius D: Peyster Assistant of the south Ward John Vanhorne Assistant of the Dock Ward Abraham Keteltas Assistant of the North Ward Richard Harris Assistant of the East Ward and Olphert Suerts Assistant of the West Ward and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices. Egbert Heermans Assistant of the Out Ward of this City was Absent.

William Anderson Gent was Sworn Chamberlain or Treasurer of this City for the year Ensueing

Jeremiah Callcutt high Constable was Absent.

William Pell Constable of the East Ward Jan Willemse Roome Constable of the West Ward Thomas Eckerse Constable of the Bowry and George Hooms Constable of Harlem were Sworn to the due Execution of their Respective Offices.

Johannes Burger Constable of the Dock Ward was Absent. Cornelius Louw Elected Constable of the North Ward and Andries Bresteade Elected Constable of the South Ward have Refused to serve. ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue Warrants for A New Election & that they Respectively pay their Fines

[52] October ye 17th 1704

David Provoost ESqr Alderman of the North Ward hath Returned

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that George Duncan Merch^{t} is Elected Constable of the Said Ward for the year Ensueing. who also hath Refused to Serve. where upon the Mayor Issued his Warrant for A New Election & Accordingly John Gurney Baker was Elected Constable for the Said Ward for the year Ensueing.

October y^{e} 21th

Johannes Burger was Sworn Constable of the Dock Ward of the Said City for the year Ensueing.

October y^{e} 31th

John Gurney was Sworn Constable of the North Ward for the year Ensueing & also Dirck Hoghlandt Constable of the south Ward upon A New Election.

City of New Yorke } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Munday the Sixth day of November Anno Dom^{i} 1704

Present William Peartree ESq^{r} Mayor
Sampson Shelton Broughton ESq^{r} Recorder
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh } ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
John Vanhorne
Suert Olpherts } Assistants.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Jeremiah Tothill the sum of thirty one pounds five Shilings and Eight pence Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke itt being the Quota and proportion of the City and County of New Yorke for fitting and furnishing A Room for the Gen^{ll} Assembly with A Lobby in the City Hall of New Yorke Pursuant to the Act of Gen^{ll} Assembly for Raising of the same.

[53] Order'd that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds four Shilings Curr^{t} Money of New Yorke itt being for halfe A Years Sallary due the fourteenth day of October last as Clerke of the Common Council and for pen Ink and paper for A year due the same time.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Ebenezer Willson ESq^{r} high Sheriff of this City the sum of One hundred pounds Sixteen Shilings and Nine pence halfe penny Curr^{t} Money

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of New Yorke being Money by him disburst for the fitting and making sufficient the Goals of this City as Appears by his Acct which is Allowed.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Wright Marshall of this City or Order the sum of fourteen pounds Seaventeen shilings and three halfe pence Curr! Money of New Yorke itt being for one years Sallary due and Ending the fourteenth of October last, for Candles for the Constables Watch for going Several Journeys to Harlem and Other Services as Appears by his Acct which is Allowed.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vesey Rector of Trinity Church or Order the sum of five pounds Currant Money of New Yorke itt being for preaching A sermon to this Corporation on the fourteenth day of October last past itt being the Anniversary day of Swearing the New Mayor Aldermen Sheriff Assistants and Other officers of this City.

Order'd that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City which were Continued in force the one & twentieth day of July last past and all Laws of this Corporation since made be Continued in force till further Order.

[54] Order'd that no Carman within this City doe Ride or drive his Cart over the Common Sewer in the broad Street near the Litle Bridge upon penalty of Six Shilings for Every Offence one halfe to the Informer and the Other halfe to the City.

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on fryday y^e 22^d day of December Anno Dom 1704.

Present William Peartree ESq^r Mayor
sampson Shelton Broughton ESq^r Recorder

ESq^rs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Robert Lurting

Assistants:
John Vanhorne
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Olphert suert
Richard Harris

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ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Robert Drummond Edmund Thomas Hendrick Bush and John Vanderbeeck Bellmen of this City the sum of ten pounds Currant Money of New York on Acc^{t} of their Sallary as Bellmen.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Richard Harris or Order the sum of ten pounds Eighteen Shilings and six pence Curr^{t} Money of New York itt being for an Entertainment given by this Corporation to his Excellency the Lord Cornbury upon his Arrival here from his Governm^{t} of New Jersey.

ORDER'D that Mary Lawrence Widdow have Liberty to follow any Lawfull Trade or imployment within this City for the better Obtaining of A livelyhood for herselfe and family any Law of this Corporation to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

[55] City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 13th day of February Anno Dom̄ 1704[-5]

Present William Peartree ESq^{r} Mayor
John Tuder ESq^{r} Recorder

ESq^{rs} Aldermen:
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting

Assistants:
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris

John Tuder ESq^{r} was this day sworn Recorder of this City having first taken the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance & supremacy & the Test and abjuration Oath.

Lancaster symes Gerrett Vanhorne and Christopher Denne the Farmers of the Dock of this City personally Appeared before this Court and Informed them that the said Gerrett Vanhorne one of the Lessees is willing to Relinquish his Right which he has to the said Lease unto the said Lancaster symes & Christopher Denne Whereupon they desire the said Lease to be Cancelled and that A New Lease with the same Conditions Covenants &c: be Granted to the said Lancaster symes & Christopher Denne & their Assigns &c: Whereupon itt is ORDER'D that upon the Execution of A New Lease by the said Lancaster symes & Christopher Denne and giving Bond for performance of Covenants with such sufficient security as this Corporation Shall think requisite that then the first lease be Accordingly Cancelled.

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Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on saturday the 3d day of March Anno Dom 1704[-5]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorn
Olphert suert } Assistants

[56] Order'd that Mr Mayor wait upon his Excellency the Governour and desire he will give leave to the Inhabitants of this Corporation to secure their Gunpowder in the small Magazine of the Garrison in Order to prevent future damage that may happen thereby.

Order'd that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be Continued in force till further Order.

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on fryday the 23d day of March Anno Dom 1704-5

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Cornelius Depeyster
Richard Harris } Assistants

Order'd that two pair of Stairs be made in the Dock on each Side of the litle bridge, that the said litle bridge be mended and the benches put up, and that two posts be put up in the Markett house by the great bridge in Order to Keep out the Cows, That Alderman Johnson doe take Care to imploy workmen and furnish Materialls for the Effectual doing of the same and that the Charge thereof be defrayed out of the Revenue of this City by the Treasurer as soon as the same is performed by Warrt from the Mayor.

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The Lease of the Dock &c: to Lancaster symes and Christopher Denne was read and Approved and ORDER'D that the Mayor Execute the same and upon their Execution of the Counter part and the Bond for performance of Covenants with Richard Harris for A security that the former Lease and Bond for performance thereof be Cancelled & made Null and Void and that Mr Mayor doe Cancell the same.

ORDER'D that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to John Tuder ESqr Recorder of this City one pound ten shilings as a Retaining fee in the Action agt. D: Riemer

[57] City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Wensday ye 11th day of April Anno Dom 1705.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh } ESqrs Aldermen
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris } Assistants

ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost Alderman Jansen Alderman Lurting Mr Harris and Mr Vanhorne or any three of them be A Committee to Audit the Treasurers Accts for the last year, That they also Settle the Accts of Dirck Benson the ferryman and make Report thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

ORDER'D that Alderman Lurting and Mr Vanhorn with the surveyors of this City doe lay out the Lotts of Ground lying between the house of Andries Teller and Mr Outman on the south side of the Dock Street that they Ascertain the surplusage of Ground not Granted by this Corporation and where itt lyes and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

ORDER'D that Dirck Benson the Ferryman have Liberty to Repair the ferry house According to the directions of Alderman Vanderburgh and that he Exhibit to this Court an Acct of the Charge thereof in order to be allowed and that the same be discounted out of his Rent.

ORDER'D that Alderman Jansen doe take Care to have the Great Bridge mended and put in Convenient repair and that the Mayor Issue his Warrant for the payment of the Charge thereof.

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William sharpas or Order the sum of ten pounds Currant Money of

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New York in full of halfe A years sallary as Clerke of this Court due and Ending the fourteenth Instant

[58] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 20th day of April Anno Dom 1705.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
Jeremiah Tothill
Johannes Jansen } ESqrs Aldermen
Robert Lurting
Abraham Keteltas
Cornelius D: Peyster } Assistants
John Vanhorne

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Robert Drummond Edmund Thomas Hendrick Bush and John Vanderbeeck late Bellmen of this City the sum of thirty pounds Currant Money of New York which with ten pounds Already paid them is in full of their sallary as Bellmen of this City due and Ending the first Instant.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to John Viett or Order the sum of ten shilings and six pence Currant Money of New York itt being for painting the Queens Arms upon the Constables Staves.

Order'd that the Treasurer take Care that there be a bonfire on the twenty third Instant being the Anniversary day of her Majts Coronation & also three Gallons of wine to drink health to her Majesty.

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 17th day of May Anno Dom 1705

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
Johannes Jansen
Jeremiah Tothill
Robert Lurting } ESqrs Aldermen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Olphert suert
John Vanhorn
Cornelius D Peyster } Assistants
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris

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[59] ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mr Nicholas Rosevelt late Treasurer of this City or Order the sum of twenty two pounds fourteen Shilings and four pence Currant Money of New York itt being soe much by him disburst for the use of this Corporation while he was Treasurer for the part payment of A Warrant of fourty Eight pounds Six shilings and four pence dated the thirteenth of October 1701 Granted to Gabriel Tomson and ORDER'D the Treasurer pay the same taking up the said Warrant of fourty Eight pounds Six shilings and four pence which is fully Satisfyed.

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 12th day of June Anno Dom 1705

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Robert Lurting

Assistants:
Cornelius Depeyster
John Vanhorne
Olphert suert
Richard Harris

ORDER'D that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be Continued in force for three Months longer.

ORDER'D that the following Streets and places be paved on or before the fifteenth day of July Next Ensueing According to the directions of the Alderman and Assistant of each Respective Ward (Vizt) from the Custom house to the Corner house of the Widdow Kierstead, the Street leading down to the Custom house bridge the Street fronting the Dock between the great and litle bridge the south End of the broad Street to the litle Bridge on both sides of the way from the New house of Coenraet Teneyck to the south End of the wharfe and from thence along the wharfe fronting the River to the Corner house of Martin Clock. Queen street as far as Mr Beeckmans, the New [60] Street, Verletts till to the broad Street. and itt is hereby further ORDERED and Ordained that if any Citizen Inhabitant or Freeholder *or* [of] this City Shall refuse neglect or delay to make his or their proportionable Pavement before their buildings and Lotts of Ground as Aforesaid within the time Aforesaid shall for such his or their default forfeit the sum of twenty

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Shilings Currant Money of this City, and twenty Shilings more like Money for Every Month after the fifteenth day of July aforesaid that Such Streets or places abovenamed Shall remain unpaved to be Levyed by distress upon the goods and Chattells of such Defaulter, the one halfe thereof to the Informer and the Other halfe to the use of this City.

ORDER'D that Alderman Jansen and Alderman Lurting doe Cause Grates to be put up before the Common sewer in the broad Street and that as soon as they are put up that they Cause the Grate att the End of the Common sewer Next the Dock to be pulled down that the water may have A free passage.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Recorder thirty Shilings for his Term fee in the Action agt D: Riemer in this June Term.

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the second day of August Anno Dom 1705

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Olphert suert
Richard Harris } Assistants

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Anderson Treasurer of this City the sum of thirty two pounds sixteen shilings Curr! Money of New York itt being Money by him disburst for the use of this City for bonfires for auditing sundry persons Accts &c: from february 1703-4 to the 12th of April 1705 as Appears by his acc! which is Allowed

[61] The Committee Appointed to Audit the Treasurers accts doe Report that on the 15th of October last past there remained in the hands of William Anderson Treasurer of this City the sum of two hundred and two pounds Eleaven Shilings and four pence halfe penny which they find to be the just Ballance due to the City att that time and also three pounds thirteen Shilings over charged in the said Treasurers Acct. being for the Commissions of Seaventy two pounds Nineteen Shilings and one penny which Money he received of the former Treasurer and agreed to Charge no Commission for itt which in the whole

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Amounts to two hundred and six pounds four Shilings and four pence halfe penny Currant Money of New York.

The Committee Appointed to audit the Acct of Dirck Benson the Farmer of the ferry doe Report that they have Audited the same unto the twelfth of April last past and doe finde that there is due unto this Corporation in full Ballance of the Rent of the ferry house & ferry during his Lease the sum of one hundred & seaventy Six pounds two Shilings and one penny Currant Money of New York.

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Johannes Hybon or Order the sum of twenty pounds fourteen Shilings and three pence Currant Money of New York itt being for Planks Carting Nails hinges boards Staples workmen & Other Materialls & Expences in making the Guard Room at the Custom house bridge.

Warrt Issued for 4—4—3 payable to Johñ: Hybon by Vertue of this Order Augt 17th 1705

ORDER'D that Alderman Jansen and Alderman Lurting doe imploy persons for the making of A Convenient Grate att the North End of the Common sewer in the broad Street & for the Mending of the Stairs in the Dock and that the Mayor Issue his Warrant for the payment of the same

ORDER'D that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be Continued in force for three Months longer.

ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost Alderman Lurting Mr D: Peyster and Mr Harris or any three of them be A Committee to Audit the Acct. of the Widdow of the late Alderman Brandt Schuyler & that the Treasurer Attend them with such Books and Acctš as may be Needfull for the Effectual Auditing thereof.

[62] ORDER'D that the same Committee Audit the Treasurers Books and Accompts to the tenth of this Month and make report thereof with all Convenient Expedition.

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 11th day of September Anno Dom 1705

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh

Assistants:
John Vanhorn
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris

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Warrt Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Recorder thirty Shilings for his Term fee this Month in the Action agt. Mr D: Riemer.

ORDER'D that Alderman Vanderburgh be Surveyor of this City in the Room of Mr Evetts deceased. who was this day Accordingly Sworn diligently Impartially & honestly &c: to Execute the said Office.

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Saturday ye 29th day of September Anno Dom 1705.

Present

William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
Johannes Jansen
David Provoost
Jacob Dekey
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh } ESqrs Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
John Vanhorne
Richard Harris
Olphert Suert } Assistants.

[63] Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this City for the Electing this day one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one petty Constable in each Respective Ward of the Said City and two Assessors two Collectors two Petty Constables and four Overseers of the Highways for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Out Ward of the said City to serve in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing According to the Usage Custom Laws and Ordinances of the said City and Accordingly the same day return was made thereof att twelve of the Clock att Noon to the Office of Town Clerk under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenor of the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Vizt)

south Ward	Johannes Jansen	Alderman
	Cornelius D: Peyster	Assistant
	Walter Thong, Stephen Richard	Assessors
	Gerrett Viele	Collector
	Adrian Man	Constable

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Dock Ward	Robert Lurting	Alderman
	John Vanhorne	Assistant
	Gerrett Duyckinck, Lawrence Vanhoake	Assessors
	John Sheppard	Collector
	Hugh Crow	Constable
East Ward	Barent Reynders	Alderman
	Richard Harris	Assistant
	Abraham Wendell, Johannes Vansanta	Assessors
	Christopher Beeckman	Collector
	Stephen Jamain	Constable
West Ward	Dirck Vanderburgh	Alderman
	Olphert Suerts	Assistant
	Tobias Stoutenburgh, Johannes Van Gelder	Assessors
	James Harding	Collector
	Cornelius Clopper	Constable
North Ward	David Provoost	Alderman
	Abraham Keteltas	Assistant
	Cornelius Low, Anthony Rutgers	Assessors
	William Provoost	Collector
	Ralph Thurman	Constable
[64] Out Ward	Jacob Dekey	Alderman
	Wolfert Webbers	Assistant
	John Ryckman	Assessor for the Bowry Division
	Christopher Rousby	Collector for the Bowry Division
	Wessell Pieterson	Constable for the Bowry Division
	Johannes Benson, David Mendevil	surveyors of Highways for the Bowry Division
	samuell Waldron	Assessor
	Peter Oblinis	Collector
	Hendrick Oblinis	Constable
	Barent Nagle, Johannes Cornelison	Surveyors of Highways for Harlem Division

WHEREAS several Inhabitants of the south Ward have Complained that the Cartway in the Dock on the West side thereof is stopt up and Incumbred with Masts and Timber soe that Carts Cannot ride out of the same fire wood and Other goods that are brought into the Dock to their grievious damage & Nusance itt is therefore hereby ORDERED that

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the farmers of the Said Dock doe forthwith Cause the same to be Removed & the said Cartway left open and Convenient for Carting upon pain of being prosecuted for A Nusance and that the Marshall serve them with A Copy of this Order.

RESOLVED that William Anderson Gen^{l} the present Chamberlain or Treasurer of this City be Continued Chamberlain or Treasurer of this City for the year Ensueing he giving sufficient sureties in the sum of one Thousand pounds for the due Execution of that Office and he Stating and Posting the Citys Accompts in the Booke in due form

THE MAYOR has Appointed Jeremiah Callcutt the present high Constable to be high Constable of this Corporation for the Year Ensueing.

ORDERED that Alderman Provoost Alderman Jansen M^{r} Vanhorne and M^{r} Harris or any three of them be A Committee to Audit the Accompt of M^{r} Dirck Benson the Lessee of the Ferry belonging to this Corporation and make Report thereof with the first Conveniency.

[65] City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday the 11th day of October Anno Dom̄ 1705

Present William Peartree ESq^{r} Mayor
John Tuder ESq^{r} Recorder
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh } ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris } Assistants.

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds four Shilings Currant Money of New York itt being for halfe A Years Sallary as Clerk of this City due and Ending the fourteenth Instant and for pen Ink and paper for one year Ending the same time

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Dirck Benson the farmer of the Ferry or Order the sum of Thirty pounds Currant Money of New York itt being for Bricklayers work Bricks Lime Nails, the use of siffs and Ladders, Carmen, meat & Drink for workmen scaffold Poles Iron work boards Gutters Plank and Glass &c: for the Repairing the Ferry house Pursuant to an Order of Common Council made the 11th day of April now last past.

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His Excellency the Governour by and with the advice of the Council has Appointed William Peartree ESq[r] to be Mayor of this City of New York and Ebenezer Willson ESq[r] to be Sheriff of the City and County of New York for the year Ensueing.

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Wright or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds Eleaven Shilings and six pence Currant Money of New York itt being for A Years sallary as Marshall of this City due and Ending the fourteenth Instant for firewood, Candles for the Constables Watch, Journeys to the Out Ward Brooms Nails &c: as appears by his Acc[t] which is Allowed.

[66] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Munday the 15[th] day of October Anno Dom 1705

Present William Peartree ESq[r] Mayor
John Tuder ESq[r] Recorder

ESq[rs] Aldermen:
David Provoost
Jacob Dekey
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Reynders

Assistants.
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Olphert Suerts
Richard Harris
Wolfert Webbers

This day the Mayor being Attended by the high Sheriff Aldermen Assistants Assessors Collectors Constables and Other Officers of this City According to the usual formality waited upon the Gentlemen of her Majestys Council att Fort Anne in Council who Administred unto William Peartree ESq[r] Mayor of this City and Ebenezer Willson ESq[r] Sheriff of the said City and County the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy The Test and Oath of Abjuration and Also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and delivered unto them their Respective Commissions whereupon the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid with the like formality waited upon her Majestys Council to Trinity Church where the Reverend M[r] William Vesey Rector thereof after Divine service preached A sermon suitable to the solemnity which

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done the Mayor Aldermen Sheriff Assistants and Other Officers Returned to the City Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor and Sheriff were published after which they all went up into the Court Chamber where the Mayor Resumed the Chair and the aforesaid Oaths Test and Abjuration were Administred unto David Provoost Alderman of the North Ward Jacob Dekey ESq^{r} Alderman of the Out Ward Johannes Jansen ESq^{r} Alderman of the south Ward Robert Lurting ESq^{r} [67] Alderman of the Dock Ward Dirck Vanderburgh ESq^{r} Alderman of the West Ward and Barent Reynders Alderman of the East Ward and to Cornelius D: Peyster Assistant of the south Ward Abraham Keteltas Assistant of the North Ward Olphert suert Assistant of the West Ward Richard Harris Assistant of the East Ward and Wolfert Webber Assistant of the Out Ward and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices who Accordingly tooke their places.

John Vanhorne Assistant of the Dock Ward was absent and also The Treasurer of this City.

Jeremiah Callcutt was sworn high Constable of this City for the year Ensueing.

Adrian Man Constable of the south Ward Cornelius Clopper Constable of the West Ward Ralph Thurman Constable of the North Ward Wessell Pieterson Constable of the Bowry and Hendrick Oblinis Constable of Harlem were sworn to the due Execution of their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing.

Stephen Jamain Elected Constable of the East Ward Refused to serve in that Office and paid his fine of five pounds in Court Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the East Ward to Elect A fitt person to serve for Constable of the said Ward for the Year Ensueing.

Hugh Crow Elected Constable of the Dock Ward did not Come to be sworn According to summons. Order'd he pay A fine of five pounds for his default and that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the Dock Ward to Choose Another fitt person to serve in that Office for the said Ward for the year Ensueing.

Mem. October 23^{d} 1705 George Norton was Sworn Constable of the Dock Ward being Elected in the Room of Hugh Crow who was uncapable of serving in that Office by reason of sickness

John James Fouchard was Elected Constable of the East Ward in the Room of Stephen Jamain who also refuseth to serve in that Office whereupon the Mayor Issued his Warrant for another Election and

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the Inhabitants of the said Ward have Chose William Barclay to serve in that Office for the year Ensueing who is sworn Accordingly.

[68] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 4th day of December Anno Dom 1705.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Barent Reynders
} ESqrs Aldermen

Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
* * * * *
Richard Harris
Olphert Suert
} Assistants.

Ordered that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be Continued in force for three Months longer next Ensueing the date hereof.

Order'd the Recorder Issue A Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Peartree ESqr Mayor of this City or Order the sum of four pounds ten Shilings and Six pence being Money by him disburst for the use of this Corporation for A Bonfire wine &c: on the fifth day of November last past.

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vesey or Order the sum of five pounds Currant Money of New York itt being for preaching A sermon to this Corporation on the fourteenth day of October last past itt being the Anniversary day of Swearing the Mayor Aldermen Assistants Sheriff and Other Officers of this City.

Order'd that Alderman Provoost Alderman Jansen Mr D'Peyster and Mr Vanhorne or any three of them be A Committee to Agree with four Able Inhabitants of this City to be Bellmen of the same to serve in that Office untill the first day of April Next. and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

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ORDER'D that Alderman Lurting Alderman Reynders Mr Harris and the Treasurer of this City be A Committee to Audit the [69] Accompts of Mr Olphert Suerts and Mr Abraham Keteltas and Make Report thereof to the Next Common Council

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ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 22d day of January Anno Dom 1705[-6]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh

Assistants:
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
John Vanhorne
Richard Harris

The Committee Appointed to Agree with four able Inhabitants to be the Bellmen of this City doe Report that they have Agreed with Robert Drummond Edmund Thomas Richard Yearsly and Robert Anderson to be the Bellmen of this City from the fifth day of December last past to the last day of March Next Ensueing for the sum of thirty two pounds, ten pounds whereof to be paid in hand and the Remainder to be paid att the Expiration of the said Term, and also to find to the Said Bellmen A Bell A Lanthorn and an hour Glass. which Report is Approved & ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the said Bellmen the Said sum of ten pounds Currant Money of New York Pursuant to the said Agreement.

The Petition of Mr Andrew Clarke was read praying to be by this Court Appointed school Master of this City According to an Act of General Assembly of this Province Entituled an Act for Encouragement of A Grammar free school in the City of New York, which Petition being taken into the Consideration of this Court and they being well Satisfyed of the Sobriety Learning and Integrity of the Said Andrew Clarke doe (Nemine Contra dicente) hereby Nominate and Appoint the said Mr Andrew Clarke schoolmaster of this City of New York Pursuant to the Said Act.

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[70] ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost Alderman Lurting Mr D: Peyster and Mr Harris or any three of them be A Committee to audit the Treasure[r]s Books and Accompts to the fourteenth of October last.

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ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on saturday the 9th day of February Anno Dom 1705[-6]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen.
- David Provoost
- Johannes Jansen
- Robert Lurting
- Dirck Vanderburgh
- Barent Reynders

Assistants
- Abraham Keteltas
- Cornelius D: Peyster
- Olphert Suerts

ORDERED that Mr Anderson Treasurer of this City be summoned to Attend this Court the Next Common Council in Order to be sworn and to give security for the due Execution of his Office Pursuant to an Order of this Court made the twenty Ninth day of September last past.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Dirck Vanderburgh or Order the sum of Nine pounds five Shilings Currant Money of New York itt being for hooks and Ladders by him Provided for the use of this City in the Month of May 1696 as Appears by his Acct Pursuant to an Order of this Court made the third day of December 1695 which is Allowed.

ORDER'D that Alderman Lurting Alderman Vanderburgh Mr D: Peyster and Mr Suert or Any three of them be a Committee to Examine whether the Lessees of the Dock &c: have performed the Covenants on their part to be performed According to their Lease and in what particulars they are deficient. That they also inspect what wharfs on the North Side thereof Are out of Repair and what Nusances thereunto Adjacent are Committed and by whom and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

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Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Saturday y^e 16^th day of february Anno Dom 1705[-6]

Present William Peartree ESq^r Mayor.
John Tuder ESq^r Recorder.

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Reynders
} ESq^rs Aldermen

Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
John Vanhorne
Olphert suerts
Richard Harris
} Assistants.

This day William Anderson Treasurer of this City was sworn to the due Execution of his Office and gave Bond with surety Pursuant to the Order made the last Common Council, which Bond after itt was Executed was delivered to the Mayor by him to be Kept for the use of this Corporation.

The Committee Appointed to Audit the acc^ts of M^r Olphert Suerts and M^r Abraham Keteltas Report in hæc Verba (viz^t) Pursuant to an Order of Common Council Dated the 4^th of December 1705 to Audit the Acc^ts of M^r Olphert Suerts and M^r Abraham Keteltas wee have Examined into the Acc^t of M^r Suert and find by A paper signed by Cap^t D: Riemer Cap^t Provoost Cap^t D: Peyster M^r Abraham Brazier & M^r Peter Willemse that the Ballance due to him was twenty pounds Eighteen Shilings and seaven pence and for his Extraordinary trouble they did allow him ten pounds more, but by Information of M^r William Anderson wee are Informed that the Ballance due to said suerts in the City Books is but Eighteen pounds & six pence three farthings and by M^r Keteltas Acc^t he demands Six pounds seaven shilings and four pence halfe penny for sundry things deliver'd for the use of the City by the Order of M^r Johannes Provoost & to M^r Peter De Milt the then sheriff but wee not knowing whether the said Acc^t may be Charged to the City by the Sheriff wee refer itt till we know more of itt, but by M^r Anderson wee are Informed he has Credit in the Books for two pounds Nine Shilings and four pence half penny Wittness our hands this 14^th

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february 1705-6 Robert Lurting Wm Anderson Barent Reynders Richard Harris

Warrant Issued

Whereupon itt is ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay [72] to the said Olphert Suerts the sum of twenty Eight pounds Six pence three farthings in full Ballance of all Accts between him & this City to this day.

The Committee to Examine whether the Lessees of the Dock have performed their Covenants Report in hæc Verba. Pursuant to the within Order wee have Viewed the Dock and find that the Lessees have not Comply'd with the Covenants of their Lease, the Dock not being clean to the sandy Bottom & also the wharfe on the West Side is not Covered with mudd.

Wee have likewise Viewed the wharfs on the North side of the Dock and find that against the Markethouse Coll Abraham D: Peysters Warehouse and Mr Ellisons house the boards of the wharfe is forc'd of by which great quantitys of Dirt Runs into the Dock and also against Thomas Roberts house and Near the Coffee house the Pavement is broke and the Earth sinks into the Dock and that all along the Dock is Very Dirty and several heaps of Stones & Trash on itt which with the Rain is Carryed into the Dock. the Lessees Complain of the Common sewer by the Cage itt being out of Order and of A Dunghill made by the markett house near the Custom house and also of Another Dunghill by Whitehall which by Stormy weather is Carryed into the Dock to their great detriment which wee are of Opinion may be hindred if the Inhabitants along by Whitehall Could be Obliged to make the wharfe before their doors and also to the south Ward of Whitehall fronting the River and to hinder the Dirt from running of the wharfs on the North-side into the Dock, wee think the Inhabitants ought to fix A piece of timber on the Wall Plate that Should rise about Six Inches above the Pavement all wch is Submitted by

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Robt Lurting
D V Burgh
C: D: Peyster

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Wright or Order the sum of four pounds two Shilings Currant Money of New York itt being for Coffins workmen Plank Nails and Other Expences for the buryal of sundry Privateers which were Cast away in Capt Otto Van Tuyle Ship in December last.

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ORDER'D that Alderman Jansen Alderman Lurting Alderman Reynders Mr Harris and Mr Keteltas or any four of them be A Committee to Audit the Acct of Alderman Provoost. and also that the same Committee [73] together with Alderman Provoost be A Committee to Audit the Acct. of William Merrett ESqr during the time of his Mayorality of this City & make Report thereof to the Next Common Council, and that the Treasurer Attend them with such Books and papers as they Shall have Occasion for the perfecting the same.

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· Att A Court of Record held att the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday ye 8th day of March in the fifth Year of the Reign of our soveraign Lady Queen Anne &c: Anno 1705-6

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Reynders
} ESqrs Aldermen

John Vanhorne
Olphert suerts
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
} Assistants.

The Committee for Auditing the Acct of William Merrett ESqr late Mayor of this City Report in hæc Verba (Vizt) Pursuant to an Order of Common Council Dated the 16th of february Instant wee haue from An Acct under the hand of William Merrett late Mayor of this City Stated by his Acct the Ballance of which is Eighty five pounds fourteen Shilings and six pence Whereas by his Acct he makes the Ballance due to the City but Nine pounds thirteen Shilings but the several Articles on the Dr side being Charged to the City without any Order of Common Council itt is our Opinion that the Common Council Books Ought to be Examined and said Merrett to bring his Vouchers for Said Articles which is submitted by Joh: Jansen Robt Lurting D: Provoost Rich: Harris Abrahm Keteltas which Report is Approved & ORDERED that the said William Merrett ESqr be served with A Copy of the said

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Report in Order to make his Objections thereunto to the Next Common Council & that he also have A Copy of the Acct by him delivered to this Corporation he Paying for the writing thereof

ORDER'D that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be Continued in force till further Order.

[74] Alderman David Provoost having this day Made Oath before this Court that by Vertue of three Orders of Common Council of this City bearing date Sepbr the 18th Novbr ye 30th & february the 22d 1700 he hath Received of Evert Beyvanck late Treasurer of this City the following sums of Money (Vizt) by Vertue of the first Order the sum of seaven pounds by the second three pounds fifteen Shilings & Six pence and by the third the sum of Eight pounds Nine Shilings and Nine pence in all Nineteen pounds five Shilings and three pence Currant Money of New York in full satisfaction of the Said Orders and that directly or indirectly he knows not whether he Ever had warrants for the same or if he had what are become thereof and prays the said payments be allowed upon the Acct of the said Evert Beyvanck before the Auditors Now Auditing the same. Itt is therefore ORDER'D that the said sums be Allowed as paid upon the Acct of the said Evert Beyvanck the said David Provoost giving security to this Corporation to indempnifie them from the future payment of the same Warrants or any of them if they Shall happen hereafter to be found or produced & that he deliver up the same Cancelled.

ORDER'D that Alderman Jansen Alderman Provoost Alderman Lurting and the Treasurer of this City or any three of them be A Committee to State the Accts * * * between this Corporation & Mr Phillip French and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to John Ryckman or Order the Sum of twenty two pounds Eight Shilings and three pence Currant Money of New York itt being in full Ballance of his Acct for Bricks furnished for the City Hall.

Warrant Issued.

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Peter Ryckman or Order the sum of five pounds three Shilings itt being for Collecting the two thousand & Eighteen hundred pound Taxes which is allowed to him by this Court.

Warrant Issued.

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Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday y^e 29^th day of March Anno Dom 1706

Present William Peartree ESq^r Mayor
John Tuder ESq^r Recorder
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Robert Lurting
Barent Reynders } ESq^rs Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Olphert Suerts
Richard Harris } Assistants.

April 6^th 1706 A Warrant Issued Payable to this Committee for £7 — 13^S — 2^d for Repairing the Common sewer and Bridges Pursuant to this Order.

Order'd that Alderman Jansen Alderman Vanderburgh and M^r De Peyster or any two of them be A Committee to Agree with workmen and also to finde Materialls for the Nessessary Repair of the Common sewer near the Dock and also for the Repair of the litle & great Bridges and that assoon as the same are performed that the Mayor Issue his warrant upon the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof. That they also Cause A Beam to be laid att the head of the Stairs on the West Side of the litle Bridge in Order that the Streets Contiguous may be paved.

Warrant Issued

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Anderson Treasurer of this City the sum of Eleaven pounds Nine Shilings and Nine pence Currant Money of New York itt being Money by him disburst for three Bonfires and wine on the Eighth of January on the Sixth of february and on the Eighth of March by past as Appears by his Acc^t which is Allowed.

Warrant Issued

Order'd the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to John Tuder ESq^r Recorder of this City or Order one pound ten Shilings Currant Money of New York for his Term fee the last supream Court in the Action of this Corporation ag^t ISaac D Riemer.

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Warrant Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Robt Drummond Edmund Thomas Richard Yearsly and Robt Anderson the sum of twenty two pounds Currant Money of New York itt being in full of their Sallary as Bellmen of this City due and Ending the last day of this Month.

[76] ORDER'D that the Recorder Alderman Jansen and Alderman Vanderburgh be A Committee to View the land desired to be Leased by Henry Cordaz and John Ackerse lying near Incloambergh for the making of Bricks, that they Ascertain the quantity and boundaries thereof and upon what Terms and for what Term of Years itt may be Convenient to farme the same and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

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ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of ye Said City on Fryday ye 19th day of April Anno Dom 1706

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Reynders

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Cornelius D: Peyster
Wolfert Webbers
Richard Harris

The Committee Appointed to View the Land desired to be farmed by Henry Cordaz and John Ackerse doe Report that they have Viewed the same lying to the West of Inclaombergh being Chiefly Swamp only A Small Spott of Upland and are of Opinion that three Acres thereof may be Leased to the Said Henry Cordaz and that John Ackerse for the Term of twenty one years att the Rent of fourty Shilings ℔ annum to be paid Quarterly and upon non payment A Clause of Re-entry. That the Said Lessees Shall pay all Charges of the Lease & surveying which Report is Approved & ORDERED that the surveyors lay out the same and that the Mayor Execute A Lease Accordingly.

ORDERD that Alderman Jansen and Alderman Vanderburgh doe Enquire of Vincent Delamontagne what Right he has to the house & land he now Possesses near Inclaombergh & make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

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ORDER'D that there be A publick Bonfire as Usual on Tuesday Next att the Charge of this Corporation being St George's day the Anniversary of the Coronation of our soveraign Lady Queen Anne.

[77] Warrant Issued. ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas Town Clerk of this City or Order the sum of ten pounds Currant Money of New York itt being for halfe a Years sallary due & Ending the fourteenth Instant.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Wensday the Eighth day of May Anno Dom̄ 1706

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Reynders
} ESqrs Aldermen

Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Olphert suerts
} Assistants.

The following Petition was read and Approved and ORDER'D forthwith to be presented to his Excellency the Capt General being signed by the persons above named (Vizt)

TO HIS EXCELLENCY Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt Genll and Governour in Chiefe of her Majestys Provinces of New York and New Jersey and Territories depending thereon in America and Vice Admiral of the same &c:

The Humble petition of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York.

MAY ITT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY

The Eminent danger wee Conceive this City to be in by an Invasion of the Common Enemy (the French) who wee fear have Committed great Depredations upon the Islands of Nevis St Christophers and

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Montserrat and the Apprehensions wee have that they will also Attempt the destruction of this flourishing City & Province which att this time are uncapable of making A Vigorous defence by reason our fortifications are wholy out of Repair our Artillery dismounted and our Inhabitants not soe Compleated Armed as soe great an Emergency Requires doe therefore humbly supplicate your Excell that your Lordship will be pleased forthwith to direct the Repairing the said fortifications, the making of Others in Convenient places the Mounting our [78] Artillery and the Compleat Arming of our Inhabitants According to such manner and Method as your Lordship in your great prudence and Conduct shall Judge requisite whereby wee may be Enabled not only to repulse the Invaders & frustrate their insults but preserve this City and Province as well as the Neighbouring Colonys under the alleigance of the Crown of England.

And your Excellencys Petitioners as in duty bound Shall Ever pray &c:

which Petition was presented to his Excellency by this Court which he Kindly Received and Assured them he would Study Nothing more assidiously then the preservation of this City and Province from the Insults of the Enemy and Nothing Should be wanting in him Effectually to perform the same or to this purpose.

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 14th day of May Anno Dom 1706.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Reynders
} ESqrs Aldermen

John Vanhorne
Olphert Suert
Richard Harris
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
} Assistants

Order'd that what Beams the Carpenters Shall use of the Widdow Helena Cooper's for the Making of Carriages for the Mounting of the

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Guns in this City be paid for by this City as they Shall be Appraised or Other Beams of the same demensions & goodness Restor'd to her in the Room thereof.

The following Petition was read and Approved and ORDER'D forthwith to be presented unto his Excellency the Governour being signed by the persons above Named (Viz!)

To his EXCELLENCY Edward Viscount Cornbury Cap! General and Governour in Chiefe of her Majestys Provinces of New York and New Jersey and Territories depending thereon in America and Vice Admiral of the same &c:

The Humble Petition of the Mayor Aldermen [79] and Commonality of the City of New York

MAY ITT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY

The Consideration of the Extraordinary danger wee humbly Conceive this Province to lye under if Attempted by the Enemy, the poor posture this City is in att this time to make A suitable Resistance and the pressing Nessessity there is for your Excellencys dayly presence Advice Directions and Orders in the Arts of Warr as well for the Speedy and Compleat Arming of the Militia throughout the whole Province as for the Regular fortifying this City and Encouraging the Inhabitants to make A Brave defence if attacqued by the French (who have boasted they Intend in A short time so to do) most humbly beseech your Lordship that your Excellency will be favourably pleased to take our present Circumstances into your serious Consideration and att this time Adjourn your Excellencys Intended Journey to your Government of New Jersey and if possible the meeting the Assembly of that Province to A more Convenient season. That your Lordship will be further pleased forthwith to Call A General Assembly of this Province in Order for the passing Nessessary Laws for the Speedy and more Effectual perfecting the abovesaid unavoidable Exigencys that wee fall not under the like Calamities of our fellow subjects the Inhabitants of Nevis but be put in such A Posture that wee may with Bravery & Alacrity defend our Country against all i'ts Invaders for the future tranquility of our selves & Posterity and the Honour of the English Nation.

And Your Excellency's Petitioners as in duty bound shall Ever pray &c:

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ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on fryday the 14th day of June Anno Dom 1706

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Reynders

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Vanhorne
Olphert suerts

[80] ORDER'D that this Court forthwith petition the General Assembly of this Province for leave to prefer A Bill for the better fortifying of this City

ORDER'D that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be Continued in force till further Order

ORDER'D that the Inhabitants of Queen Street have Liberty att their own Charge to build A Bridge over the Slip att Countess Key att the south End thereof leaving A Draw Bridge for Boats to pass.

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 20th day of June Anno Dom 1706.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Reynders

Assistants:
Cornelius D: Peyster
Olphert suerts
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris

PURSUANT to an Order of this Court bearing date the Sixth day of September one thousand six hundred Ninety Nine Authorizing the

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Inhabitants of Queen Street to build A Convenient Markett house att their Own Charge for the publick Benefitt att Countess Key for the Conveniency and Ornament of the City. Itt is hereby ORDERED that such Markett house as the said Inhabitants Shall Erect and build att their Own Charge betwixt the houses of Capt John D: Peyster and Bernardus Smith att the North End of the slip in Countess Key Aforesaid be Appropriated and Continued A publick Markett and Markett house of this City for Ever.

[81] ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 11th day of July Anno Dom 1706

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders
} ESqrs Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
John Vanhorne
} Assistants

The following Ordinance was three times read Approved and ORDER'D to be forthwith Published and Accordingly after the Ringing of three Bells the same was published in these words following (Vizt)

AN ORDINANCE of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council for the Carrying on the fortifications of the said City

WHEREAS by An Act of General Assembly of this Province made in the fifth year of the Reign of our soveraign Lady Queen Anne over England scotland France and Ireland Defender of the faith &c: Entituled An Act to Enable the Mayor Aldermen and Common Council of the City of New York to Carry on the fortifications of the said City Among Other things itt is thereby Enacted that from and after the publication of the said Act all and Every the Citizens Freeholders and housekeepers of this City of New York being Inhabitants of the same City for and during the Term and Space of two years Either by themselves or sufficient Labourers Shall doe such Labour att such days and times att such place or places and in such manner and forme for the fortifying of the said City of New York and for the Maintaining the same in Repair as Shall from time to time be directed and Appointed by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen & Assistants of the said City

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of New York or the Major part of them Convened in Common Council on Penalty of Six Shilings for Every Neglect Refusal or default to be forfeited and paid by Every such person or persons who shall Neglect Refuse or delay to doe and perform such labour by themselves or A sufficient Labourer in their Stead and place in manner Aforesaid &c:

Be itt Therefore Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council [82] and itt is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that whensoever and as often as their shall be Occasion for making or Repairing the fortifications of the said City within the Term and space of two years aforesaid The Citizens Freeholders and housekeepers Inhabiing of the five Wards of the said City on the south side of the Fresh water Shall be Compell'd and Obliged by themselves or sufficient Labourers to work att or upon the said Fortifications by Equal Turns & wards soe often as they Shall have Notice so to do or shall be Required thereunto by the Mayor of the said City for the time being, and that the day before such labour is to be done and performed the Cryer of the said City or such Other person as the Said Mayor Shall direct and Appoint Shall publish by beat of the Drum in such Ward or Wards as Shall be Appointed to labour as Aforesaid what time such labour is to be done and performed and the time and place where such Labourers Shall Meet and Appear and also the same day Such labour to be performed A Drum Shall beat Early in the Morning in such Ward or Wards Appointed to labour as Aforesaid which publication by the Cryer or Other person Appointed as Aforesaid and Beat of Drum as Aforesaid Shall be Deemed and Esteemed A sufficient Notice to the Citizens Freeholders and Housekeepers Inhabiting of such Ward or Wards of the Said City of New York as are Appointed to work or Labour at or upon the fortifications Aforesaid. And be itt further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that Every Citizen Freeholder and housekeeper Inhabiting of the said City upon such Notice given as Aforesaid Shall by themselves or sufficient Labourers Appear att the time and place to be Appointed as Aforesaid with A good Spade Shovell Axe Pickax or Other Nessessary Tool or Instrument and soe Appearing Shall doe and perform such labour att or upon the said fortifications in such manner and form as they Shall be directed and Appointed by the Overseers or Directors of the said fortifications or in Default thereof Shall forfeit and pay the sum of six Shilings for Every Neglect Refusal delay or Contempt to be Recovered Levyed and Imployed in such Manner and forme and for such use as in the before Recited Act of General Assembly is directed and Appointed.

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And itt is further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that the several Constables of the said City of New York and Every of them Shall forthwith pay all such forfeitures as they or any of them Shall from time to time Levy or Collect by Vertue of the before Recited Act of General Assembly of this Province unto Coll Abraham D: Peyster to be used laid out and Imployed upon the said Fortifications Pursuant to the directions of the said Act. Dated att the City Hall of the said City the Eleaventh day of July in the fifth year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lady Anne by the Grace of God of England scotland France & Ireland Queen Defender of the faith &c: Anno Dom 1706

Wm Peartree Mayor

℔ Order of Common Council
Will Sharpas Cl

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Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Munday ye: 22d day of July Anno Dom 1706

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders
} ESqrs Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
John Vanhorne
} Assistants

The following Petition was read and Approved and Signed by this Court & Ordered to be forthwith presented to his Excellency the Governour Viz:

To His Excellency Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt General and Governour in Chiefe of her Majestys Provinces of New York & New Jersey and Territories depending thereon in America & Vice Admiral of the same &c:

The Humble Petition of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York

May itt please Your Excellency

We having Received Advice from Antegoa that four French Privateers are Sayled out of Martineque for this Coast and also that Mon-

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sieur Deberville with a Strong Squadron of Ships of Warr designs Speedily to Attacque this City and Province

Wee therefore Most humbly pray your Excellency that your Lordship would favourably be pleased to lay an Embargoe in this Port for Such Term as your Lordship Shall Judge requisite for the better Security of our City and Navigation

And your Excellencys Petitioners as in duty bound Shall Ever pray &c:

[84] City of New York } SS

By the Mayor

Assize of Bread

Order'd the Assize of Bread within this City be till further Order as followeth (Viz^{t})

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh thirteen ounces for three halfe pence

A Wheaten loafe the Coursest Bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh three pounds for four pence halfe penny wheat being att four Shilings and Six pence the bushell and Order'd that all the Bakers of this City doe take Notice thereof and Bake their Bread Accordingly. Dated the 29th day of August 1706

By the Mayor

Assize of Bread

Order'd that the Assize of bread within this City be till further Order as followeth (Viz^{t})

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh two pounds and A halfe for four pence halfe penny

A Wheaten loafe the Coursest Bran only taken out and not Otherwise to weigh three pounds for four pence halfe penny and that no Other bread be made within this City for Sale but According to the above Assize (Biskett only Excepted) and Order'd that all the Bakers of this City doe take Notice hereof & bake their bread Accordingly. Dated the 31th day of August 1706.

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[85] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on sunday the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1706.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
Iohn Tuder ESqr Recorder

Aldermen:
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders

Assistants:
John Vanhorne
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris

Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this City for the Electing this day one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one Petty Constable in the five Wards on the South Side of the fresh water and one Alderman One Assistant two Assessors two Collectors two Petty Constables and four Overseers of the highways for the Out Ward of the Said City for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Said Ward to serve in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing According to the usage Custom Laws and Ordinances of the said City and Accordingly the Same day Return was made thereof att seaven of the Clock in the Evening to the Office of Town Clerk under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenor of the aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Vizt)

South Ward	Johannes Jansen	Alderman
	Cornelius D: Peyster	Assistant
	William Jackson, Gerrett Viele	Assessors
	ISaac De Riemer	Collector
	Johannes Deforeest	Constable
East Ward	Barent Rynders	Alderman
	Richard Harris	Assistant
	Gerrett Schuyler, Johannes Vansanta	Assessors
	Benjamin Dhariette	Collector
	Pieter Bant	Constable

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West Ward	Dirck Vanderburgh	Alderman	
	Petrus Bayard	Assistant	
	Tobias Stoutenburgh, Johannes Van Gelder	Assessors	
	John Delamontagne	Collector	
	Gerrett Keteltas	Constable	
North Ward	David Provoost	Alderman	
	Abraham Keteltas	Assistant	
	ISaac Stoutenburgh, Anthony Rutgers	Assessors	
	William Provoost	Collector	
	Gerrett Van Laer	Constable	
Dock Ward	Richard Willett	Alderman	
	Paul Droilhett	Assistant	
	Lawrence Vanhooke, Gerrett Duyckinck	Assessors	
	Evert Vandewater	Collector	
	Rutgert Waldron	Constable	
Out Ward	Benjamin Blagge	Alderman	
	Wolfert Webber	Assistant	
	John Ryckman	Assessor	for the Bowry Division
	Christopher Rousby	Collector	
	Hendrick Cordus	Constable	
	Jacob Cowenhoven, Folkert Heerman	Surveyors of Highways	
	John Kierse	Assessor	for Harlem Division
	Thomas Turneur	Collector	
	Johannes Waldron	Constable	
	Lawrence Cornelisse, Hendrick Van Oblinis	Surveyors of Highways	

RESOLVED that Robert Lurting ESq: the present Alderman of the Dock Ward of this City be and he is hereby Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer of this City for the year Ensueing.

The Mayor has Appointed William Barclay att present Constable of the East Ward of this City to be high Constable of the Said City for the year Ensueing.

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[87] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the first day of October Anno Dom 1706

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor

John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders
} ESqrs Aldermen

Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
John Vanhorne
Olphert Suert
Richard Harris
} Assistants

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Wright late Marshall of this City or Order the sum of Seaven pounds five Shilings and two pence Currant Money of New York itt being for his Sallary from the fourteenth of October 1705 to the fourteenth of May last and for Candles for the Watch Journeys to Harlem &c: and A Coffin for A frozen man which is Allowed

Warrant Issued

Order'd that Alderman Provoost Alderman Lurting Alderman Rynders Mr Harris and Mr De Peyster or any four of them be A Committee to Audit the Acct of Mr William Anderson Treasurer of this City and make Report thereof with all Convenient Speed.

Order'd that the same Committee doe Audit the Treasurers Books and Accounts.

Order'd that all the Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City which were published the first day of June last be Continued in force till further Order.

A Draft of A Bill Entituled A Bill to Enable the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York for the time being to Raise Money upon the Freeholders and Inhabitants thereof for defraying their publick and Nessessary Charges Annually was read and Approved and Order'd that Mr Mayor and Mr Recorder doe Carry the same to the Members of this City in General Assembly in order to be Enacted and that they Represent to them the nessessity thereof.

Order'd that Alderman Vanderburgh doe provide for the publick use of this City Eight Ladders and two fire hooks and Poles of such length & Demensions as he Shall Judge Convenient to be used in Case

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of fire and that he bring in an Acct. of the Charge thereof in Order to be satisfyed for the same.

[88] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Munday the 14th day of October Anno Dom 1706.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Robert Lurting
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders

Assistants.
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
John Vanhorne
Olphert Suert
Richard Harris
Wolfert Webber

This day the Mayor being Attended by the Sheriff Aldermen Assistants Assessors Collectors Constables and Other Officers of this City According to the Usual formality Marched from the City Hall to her Majestys Garrison Fort Anne where they waited upon his Excellency Edward Viscount Cornbury her Majestys Capt General and Governour in Chiefe of this Province &c: in Council where then were Administred unto William Peartree ESqr Mayor of this City and Ebenezer Willson ESqr Sheriff of the said City and County the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken Instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and Supremacy the Test and Oath of Abjuration and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices & thereupon his Excellency delivered unto them their Respective Commissions upon which the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid went to Trinity Church where the Reverend Mr William Vezey the Rector thereof read divine service and preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion, which done the Mayor Aldermen sheriff Assistants and Other Officers Returned to the City Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor and sheriff were published after which they all went up into the Court Chamber where the [89] Mayor Resumed the Chair and the Aforesaid Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and Supremacy, The Test and Abjuration

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Oaths were Administred unto David Provoost Alderman of the North Ward Johannes Jansen Alderman of the south Ward Dirck Vanderburgh Alderman of the West Ward Barent Rynders Alderman of the East Ward Richard Willett Alderman of the Dock Ward and Benjamin Blagge Alderman of the Out Ward and to Abraham Keteltas Assistant of the North Ward Cornelius D: Peyster Assistant of the south Ward Richard Harris Assistant of the East Ward Paul Droilhet Assistant of the Dock Ward Petrus Bayard Assistant of the West Ward and Wolfert Webbers Assistant of the Out Ward and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective [offices] and Accordingly they tooke their places.

Mr Robert Lurting was Sworn Chamberlain or Treasurer of this City for the year Ensueing

William Barclay was Sworn high Constable of this City for the year Ensueing.

Johannes Deforeest Constable of the south Ward Peter Brandt Constable of the East Ward Gerrett Keteltas Constable of the West Ward Gerrett Van Laer Constable of the North Ward Rutgert Waldron Constable of the Dock Ward Henry Cordus Constable of the Bowry and Johannes Waldron Constable of Harlem were Sworn to the due Execution of their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing.

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 23d day of November Anno Dom 1706

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
Dirck Vanderburgh, Barent Rynders, Richard Willett, Abraham Keteltas — ESqrs Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster, Paul Droilhet, Petrus Bayard — Assistants

[90] Warrant Issued

Ordered that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas town Clerk of this City or Order the Sum of Eleaven pounds four Shilings Currant Money of New York in full of halfe A Years Sallary

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due and Ending the fourteenth day of October last past and for pen Ink and paper for one year due and Ending the same time.

Warrant Issued

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vesey or Order the sum of five pounds Currant Money of New York itt being for preaching A sermon to this Corporation on the fourteen day of October last past being the Anniversary day of Swearing the Mayor Aldermen and Other Officers of this City

Warrant Issued

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Joseph Prosser or Order the sum of one pound and seaven pence halfe penny Currant Money of New York itt being for Repairing the litle Bridge by the Dock of this City and the Wall that Supports the Same.

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 26th day of November Anno Dom 170.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Dirck Vanderburgh
Richard Willett
} ESqrs Aldermen

Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Petrus Bayard
Paul Droilhett
} Assistants

ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost Alderman Willett Mr Keteltas and Mr Bayard or any three of them be A Committee to Agree with four Able Cittizens of this City to be the Bellmen of the same to the first day of April Next Ensueing and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

ORDER'D that the Acct of George Booth be Audited by the Committee Appointed to Audit the Treasurers Books & accompts

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Warrant Issued

ORDERED that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mr Edmund Kingsland or Order the sum of twenty two pounds Currant Money of New York in full for five thousand five hundred foot of Cedar Boards

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which was by him furnished for the City Hall October the 2d 1700 as Appears by his Acct which is Allowed.

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday ye 21th day of December Anno Dom 1706

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders
Richard Willett
} ESqrs Aldermen

Cornelius Depeyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Paul Droilhiet
} Assistants.

Warrant Issued The Committee to Agree with Bellmen doe Report that they have Agreed with Daniell Jones Edward Davis Richard Warner and Joseph Concklin all Inhabitants of this City to be the Bellmen of this City from the twenty Sixth day of November last past to the first day of April Next Ensueing for the Sum of thirty two pounds, ten pounds thereof to be paid unto them forthwith for providing them with fire Candles &c: & the Remainder att the Expiration of the Term which Report is Approved & Order'd the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Said Bellmen the Said sum of ten pounds According to the Said Agreement.

Order'd that Mr William Anderson late Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City doe forthwith deliver unto Mr Robert Lurting present Chamberlain or Treasurer of the same all such sum and sums of Money Books Papers Accounts writings Deeds Leases and Evidences whatsoever which are in his hands and Possession and which belong to this Corporation and that the Said Mr Lurtings Receipt for the same Shall be unto the said William Anderson A sufficient Authority and discharge for Soe doing

[92] Order'd that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the
Warrant Issued Treasurer to pay to Mr Abraham Keteltas or Order the sum of Six pounds Eight Shilings and ten pence halfe penny Currant Money of New York itt being in full of his Acct

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for Locks and Nails deliver'd to Peter De Milt late Sheriff of this City and for Nails for the City Hall all for the use of this City from the Eighteenth of March 1701 to the 6th of July 1703 which is Allowed.

Itt is Agreed between this Corporation and Mr William Anderson late Treasurer of this City that Mr David Jamison Mr Benjamin Faneuil and Mr Robert Lurting be Arbitrators between them to Adjust and Arbitrate the acct of the Said William Anderson which as itt is delivered to this board Amounts to fifty Six pounds Six Shilings and Eight pence farthing for sundry services &c: done by the Said William Anderson for this City as is affirmed in the Said acct and that both Parties will be Concluded by such Report or Arbitration as the Said Gentlemen Shall make.

Order'd that the following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City be and are hereby Published and Continued in full force and Vertue According to the true Intent and Meaning thereof Respectively for the Space of three Months from and after the date hereof (Vizt)

for the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
Concerning Retailers of Liquors
Surveyors for the City
To prevent fire
Concerning Negroes
Concerning Engrossers and Forestallers of the Markett
Concerning yt Assize of Bread
No Timber &c: to lye in the Streets
Concerning Swine
Regulations for Carmen
Concerning Negroes and Indian Slaves
Common Council not to be absent upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Weights and Measures to be Sealed
Masters of Vessells to give Acct of their Passengers
Concerning Bucketts
Packers Mark on beef and Porke
Freemen to be Enrolled
Apprentices to be bound before the Mayor Recorder or an Alderman
Ordinance for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within this City
Laws & Orders for the Government of the Dock and slips of this City

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[93] Oath of Freemen
Regulations for the Markett
Law against firing Guns in the Streets
Law Relating to Apprentices
who are to be deemed Freemen
Freemen made by the Mayor and three Aldermen
Law to Prevent fire
Law against Hawkers and Pedlers
Law against Emptying Ordures in the Streets
Carmen's Wages for Carting Wine Rum and Malasses
Law Agt Killing Cattle any where but att the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A Fine on such as Refuse to Watch
Ordinance for the better Cleaning of the Streets &c:
Law Concerning Freemen
Law Relating to Packers
Law Prohibiting Carts to be drove over the Common Sewer
Law about Swine
Law to Prevent digging holes in the Common
Law to prevent frauds in firewood.

Order'd that Rebeckah Van schaick Widdow be pound Keeper of the Bowry Division of the Outward of the Said City during the pleasure of this Court in the Room of John Brevoort upon the Conditions following (Viz^{t}) that the Said Rebeckah Van schaick Shall att her own proper Cost and Charge make A good and sufficient pound and keep the same in good Repair during the time She Shall be Keeper thereof, that She Acct with this Court upon Oath Every three Months if required and pay one halfe of all the profitts thereof to the Treasurer of this City for the use of this Corporation and that upon the service of this Order the Said John Brevoort be discharged from the Said Office

Order'd the Pound Keepers fees be as follows (Viz^{t}) for the pounding Every horse Mare or Colt Nine pence, for every Bull Cow Ox heifer or Other Neat Cattle four pence halfe penny, and for every Sheep or hog three pence.

Warr^{t} Issued

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes or Order the sum of Eight pounds Eleaven Shilings ten pence Currant Money of New York itt being for his Sallary from the Eleaventh of May last to the 25th Instant as Marshall of this City and for Candles

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for the Constables Watch and for several Journeys to Harlem which is allowed.

[94] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday ye: 21th day of January Anō Dom 1706[-7]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
} ESqrs Aldermen

Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
} Assistants

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Dirck Vanderburgh or Order the sum of Nineteen pounds two Shilings Currant Money of New York itt being for Eight Ladders and two fire hooks Iron work and Materialls thereunto belonging for the publick use of this City as appears by his Acct. thereof delivered is allowed.

Warrt Issued

The Committee Appointed to Audit the Acct. of Mr Anderson late Treasurer of this City Report in hæc Verba. Pursuant to an Order of Common Council bearing date the first day of October last wee have Examined this Acct and have also Informed our selves of the Gent Appointed Auditors of the former Treasurers Accts and are of Opinion that A Warrant be Issued by the Mayor for the payment of fourty Eight pounds to William Anderson late Treasurer in full of the above Acct which is humbly submitted

D: Provoost
B: Rynders
C: D: Peyster
Rich: Harris

And also the Gent to whom the Said Acct was afterwards Referred Reported in hæc Verba (Vizt) New York January 20th 1706 Pursuant to the within Order of Reference wee whose Names are hereunder written doe find that the Report under Mr Andersons acct signed by David Provoost Barent Rynders Cornelius Depeyster and Richard

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Harris for payment fourty Eight pounds to the Said Anderson to be Justly due to Said Mr Anderson but because itt is said to be in full of his Acct and there is an Article of Charge unproperly placed for which Mr ISaac D: Riemer and Evert Beyvanke are Chargeable to the Said William Anderson wee pray that his Money may be Ordered him in full of his Acct Aforesaid Excepting that Article which is three pounds twelve Shilings which the Said D: Riemer & Beyvanke must Acct to him

David Jamison
Benj: Faneuil
Robt Lurting

[95] which Report is Approved and ORDERED that the sum of fourty Eight pounds be Allowed to the said William Anderson Accordingly.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Execute the General Release now ready to Mr William Anderson late Treasurer of this City under the publick Seal of the same Corporation, and that upon Mr Andersons delivering to Mr Lurting the present Treasurer of this City all such sum and sums of Money Books papers Accts writings Deeds Leases Evidences and all Other matters and things whatsoever which are in his hands and possession belonging to this Corporation that then the Said Mr Lurting deliver to the Said Mr Anderson the Said Release soe Executed, first Examining the said Books & Accts that there be no Mischarges or Omissions in the same.

The Committee Appointed to Audit the Treasurers Books and Accts Report in hæc Verba (Vizt)

New York 16th December 1706 Pursuant to an Order of Common Council to us directed dated the first day of October last wee have Examined the Accts of William Anderson late Treasurer of this City and find that there Remains in his hands of the Citys Moneys the sum of thirty Six pounds fifteen Shilings Six pence three farthings, Provided the sum of fourty Eight pounds be Allowed the Said William Anderson for Auditing the late Treasurers Books and Accts &c: as ℔ our Report on the Said Acct Submitted and also if he hath not Charged in this within Acct Commission for the first Article which is Ninety five pounds seaventeen Shilings and seaven pence which was the Ballance of the Citys Acct for last year as he the said Anderson Alleadges all which is humbly Submitted.

D: Provoost
B Rynders
C: D: Peyster
Rich: Harris

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City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of Said City on fryday ye 31th day of January Anno Dom 1706[-7]

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
} ESqrs Aldermen

Abraham Keteltas
Cornelius D: Peyster
Richard Harris
} Assistants

[96] A Warrt was Issued Pursuant to this Order for 14 — 16 — 01½

Order'd that Alderman Jansen Alderman Vanderburgh and Alderman Willett be A Committee for the Imploying of workmen and furnishing of Materialls for the Effectual Repairing of the Common sewer att the lower End of the Broad Street near the litle Bridge of this City and Ordered that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the Charge thereof out of the first Money he Shall Receive.

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 28th day of March Anno Dom. 1707

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder. ESqr Recorder

Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders
Richard Willett
Johannes Jansen
Edward Blagge
} ESqrs Aldermen

Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Paul Droilhiet
Peter Bayard
} Assistants

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Warr! Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Daniell Jones Edward Davis Richard Warner and Joseph Concklin Bellmen of this City the sum of twenty two pounds Currant Money of New York in full of their Sallary as Bellmen of this City due & Ending the first of April Next.

The following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City after the Ringing of three Bells were publickly read and published being first Ordered Ordained and Established to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for the Term of three Months from and after the date hereof. (Viz!)

For the Observation of the Lords day &c:
Concerning Strangers
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of Bread
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Account of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
[97] Freemen and Apprentices
Laws & Orders for the Government of the Dock and slips of this City
Regulations for paying Dock Money
Law against firing Guns in the Streets
Against Killing Cattle any where but att the sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine on Such as refuse to Watch.
Law for Cleaning the streets Lanes and Allyes of the Said City
Law Prohibing Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen Not to drive Over the Common sewer
Swine prohibited to run att large
Digging holes & Cutting sods on the Commons prohibited
For Preventing frauds in firewood
for Supplying the Vancancy of Elective Magistrates &c:
fine of Magistrates & Officers that refuse to serve
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observant in the Execution of these Laws.

ORDERED that the Aforesaid Laws be forthwith printed.

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City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday the first day of May Anno Dom̄ 1707.

Present William Peartree ESq^r Mayor
John Tuder ESq^r Recorder
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Richard Willett. } ESq^rs Aldermen
Richard Harris
Abraham Keteltas
Paul Droilhiet } Assistants

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to George Booth or Order the sum of thirteen pounds five Shilings and six pence Curr^t Money of New York itt being for thirty five yards & Six foot of wainscot, Moveing the seats and for nails in the City Hall of this City in the Court Room as Appears by his Acc^t which is allowed.

Warr^t Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Bradford or Order the sum of three pounds Currant Money of New York for Printing the Laws of this City.

Warr^t Issued

ORDERD the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of ten pounds Currant Money of New York itt being for halfe A years sallary as Clerk of this City due & Ending y^e fourteenth day of April last past

Warr^t Issued

[98] LAW FOR PAVING SEVERAL STREETS

Be itt Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and itt is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that the Streets and places within the said City hereafter Named be paved before the first day of August Next Ensueing in such manner and form as the Alderman and Assistant of each Respective Ward (wherein such Streets and places are in) Shall direct and appoint Viz^t the Street Commonly Called the Broadway of the Said City in the West Ward of the same from Trinity Church to the Markett house. From the Custom house to the Corner house of the Widdow Kierstead. The Street leading down to the Custom house bridge. the Street fronting the Dock between the Great and litle bridges. the South end of the broad street

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to the litle bridge on both sides of the way. from the New house of Coenraet Teneyck to the South end of the wharfe and from thence along the wharfe fronting the River to the Corner house of Martin Clock. Queen Street as far as Mr Beeckmans the Brewer. the new Street. Verletts Hill to the broad street. And itt is hereby further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that if any Cittizen Inhabitant or Freeholder of the said City Shall refuse Neglect or delay to make his or their proportionable pavement before their Respective buildings or Lotts of Ground in any of the Streets or places abovenamed within the time Aforesaid Shall for such his her or their default forfeit the sum of twenty Shilings Currant Money of this City and twenty Shilings more like Money for Every Month after the first day of August Aforesaid that such Streets or places above Named Shall remain unpaved to be Levyed by Distress upon the Goods and Chattells of such Defaulter the one halfe thereof to the Informer and the Other halfe to this City.

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday ye: 28th day of May Anno Dom 1707

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh } ESqrs Aldermen
Richard Willett
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas } Assistants
Paul Droilhiet

Assize of Bread

Order'd that the assize of bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt)

A White loaf of the finest flower to weigh 11 Ounces for three half pence

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh two pounds and two Ounces for four pence halfe penny

A Wheaten loafe the Coursest bran only taken out and Not Otherwise to weigh two pounds and A halfe for four pence halfe penny and that no other bread be made for sale within this City but According to the above Assize (Biskett only Excepted) and Orderd that all the Bakers of this City doe take Notice hereof & bake their bread Accordingly. wheat [being] about 6 — 9d or Seaven Shillings ℔ Bushell.

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Warrant Issued

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes the sum of two pounds Sixteen Shilings Currant Money of New York itt being for his sallary as Marshall of this City from the twenty fourth day of December last to the twenty fourth day of March Now by past & for two Journeys to Harlem which are allowed.

[99] Law Prohibiting the Sweeping Streets in time of Rain and floods

Be itt Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and itt is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that if any person or persons within this City Shall hereafter in the time of Rain or floods sweep the soyle or Dirt of the Streets into or near the Channell of any of the Streets of this City soe as the same may be Carryed away by the Stream thereof such person or persons soe offending Shall for Every such Offence forfeit and pay the sum of six Shilings currant Money of New York, and if such Offence be Committed by Any servant or slave such forfeiture Shall be paid by the Owner Master or Mistriss of such servant or slave one halfe to the Informer and the Other halfe to the City & to be Recovered by Plaint before the Mayor Recorder or any of the Aldermen of the said City.

Law Imposing A Fine upon Such of the Out Ward as Refuse to mend the Highways

Be itt Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen & Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and itt is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that all and Every the Inhabitants of the Out Ward of the said City that Shall hereafter be summoned by the Constable or Constables of the said Ward to Appear and doe their duty in Amending and Repairing the highways within the said Ward or Imploy A sufficient Labourer in that service Shall for Every such Offence forfeit the sum of six Shilings Currant Money of New York to be Recovered by Plaint before the Mayor Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the said City and to be Levyed by Warrant under the hand and seal of any of them directed to the Constables of the said Out Ward or Either of them by Distress and sale of the goods and Chattells of the person or persons who Shall make such default which Said forfeitures shall be disposed of to the persons who Shall Appear and labour at the Amending and Repairing of the highways Aforesaid.

These Laws after the Ringing of three Bells were this day published

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City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 27th day of June Anno Dom 1707

Present William Peartree ESq: Mayor
John Tuder ESq: Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
} ESqrs Aldermen

Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Paul Droilhiet
} Assistants

[100] THE following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City which were made Established published and Order'd to be Printed the 28th day of March last past together with the Laws since made & published were this day after the Ringing of three Bells publickly read and ORDERED to Continue in full force and Vertue for the Space of three Months from and after the date hereof (Viz:)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Negro & Indian Slaves not above four to meet together
Concerning Strangers
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of Bread
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acct of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers & Cullers
No Beef or Pork to be Shipped of till Repacked &c:
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws & Orders for the Government of the Dock & Slips
Regulations for Dock Money
Law against firing guns in the Street
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but att the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be landed near the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon such as Refuse to Watch

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Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes & Allys of the Said City &c:
Law Prohibiting Hawkers & Pedlars
Carmen Not to drive Over the Common Sewer near the litle Bridge
Swine prohibited to run att large
Law Prohibiting digging holes & Cutting sodds on the Commons
Law for preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of Elective Magistrates &c:
Mayor Recorder & Aldermen to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of these Laws
Law for Paving several Streets
Law Prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Law Imposing A Fine upon Such of the Out Ward as refuse to mend the Highways

MEMORANDUM this day the Justices delivered to the Assessors of this City two Warrants for Assessing the Other Moyety of the Taxes to be Raised in the City & County of New York pursuant to two Acts of Gen^{ll} Assembly [of] the said Province the one Entitled An Act for Raising the sum of three thousand pounds towards defraying the Expence of fortifying the City of New York and the Other Entituled An Act for Raising A fund for the Defence of the Fronteers & Other uses by which warrants they are to Return their assessments to the Town Clerks Office on or before the 12th day of August Next.

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 26th day of July Anno Dom 1707

Present William Peartree ESq^{r} Mayor
John Tuder ESq^{r} Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Dirck Vanderburgh
Barent Rynders
Richard Willett
} ESq^{rs} Aldermen

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Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Paul Droilhiett
} Assistants

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Upon the Petition of the Inhabitants of Queen Street itt is ORDERED that all the Lotts from Burgers Path to Theobalds Slip fronting the East River be filled up and the wharfs Compleated According to the Covenants in the Grants thereof on or before the first day of October Next upon penalty of fourty Shilings for Every default to be paid by the Owner of each of the Said Lotts which Shall not be filled up and Compleated as aforesaid and fourty Shilings more for Every Month after the said first day of October that the Said Lotts or any of them Shall remain unfilled up or Compleated as aforesaid one halfe of the said forfeitures to be for the use of this Corporation and the Other to the Informer & to be Recovered by plaint before the Mayor Recorder or any of the Aldermen of the said City.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Rutgert Waldron or Order the sum of One pound two Shilings and Six pence Currant Money of New York itt being for Boards Nails Carpenters work & Cartidge for fitting the Room in the City Hall for the Constables watch as Appears by his Acct which is allowed.

ORDERED that an Ordinance of this Corporation Entituled an Ordinance of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council for the Carrying on the fortifications of the said City which was made & published the 11th day of July 1706 Entred in this booke page 81 & 82 be and is hereby Ordained Continued & Established in full force & Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof & the same after the Ringing of three Bells was Accordingly published

ORDER'D That the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes or Order the sum of five pounds Nine Shilings Currant Money of New York itt being for halfe A years Sallary from the twenty fifth day of December last past to the 25th day of June following and for two Journeys to Harlem as Appears by his Acct which is allowed.

ORDER'D that the Treasurer of this City forthwith make A List of all the Debtors of this Corporation, in what sums and for what they are Indebted and that he attend this Court with the same the Next Common Council.

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[102] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday the 10th day of September Anno Dom 1707

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Barent Rynders
Richard Willett } ESqrs Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Paul Droilhiet
Petrus Bayard
Richard Harris } Assistants

Order'd that the Street Commonly Called the broad way lying in the West Ward of this City be forthwith paved in such manner and form as Shall be directed and appointed by Mr Petrus Bayard Assistant of the said Ward & Mr Harmanus Vangelder any former Law of this Corporation to the Contrary Notwithstanding and all persons Concern'd are hereby required to take Notice hereof Accordingly

Order'd that the Inhabitants Near the Wall Street Slip have Liberty to fill up the same or such part thereof as they shall think Convenient provided the Lessees of the Dock & Slips Consent to the same.

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Saturday the 27th day of Sepbr Anno Dom 1707.

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Barent Rynders } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Paul Droilhiett } Assistants

Forasmuch as the time this day Expires whereby several Laws Orders and Ordinances for the good Rule and Government of the Inhabitants of this City will determine but this Court thinking itt Convenient that the same should Continue in force for three Months longer itt is therefore hereby Ordained that all the Laws Orders And Ordinances of this Corporation hereafter Mentioned and Every Clause

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Article Penalty and Condition in the same or in any [103] of them Contained be and shall hereby Remain in full force and Vertue for the Space of three Months from and after the Date hereof any thing to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding (Viz^{t})

For the Observation of the Lord's day
Negro and Indian Slaves not above four to meet together
Concerning Strangers
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of Bread
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acc^{t} of their passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
No Beef or Pork to be shiped of till Repacked &c:
Regulations for Dock Money
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and slips
Laws against firing Guns in the Street
Law against Killing Cattle any where but att the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed at the sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon such as refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys of the Said City
Law prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to Drive over the Common sewer near the little Bridge
Swine prohibited to Run at large
Law prohibiting digging holes & Cutting sodds on the Commons
Law for preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of Elective Magistrates &c:
Mayor Recorder and Aldermen to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observant in the Execution of these Laws
Law for Paving several Streets
Law for Prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Law Imposing A fine on such of the Out Ward as refuse to mend the Highways
Ordinance of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York for the Carrying on the fortifications of the said City

Order'd that M^{r} Wormstall and the persons Concern'd in the house where M^{r} Maclenan lives in the Bridge Street in the south Ward of this City doe forthwith Effectually repair the Street and

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wharfe belonging to the said house fronting to the Dock upon pain of being prosecuted for their Neglect or default

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Robert Edwards or Order the sum of one pound fourteen shilings and Six pence Currant Money of New York itt being for labour Laths Lime and White washing the City Hall in May and June last.

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ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Munday the 29th day of Sepbr Anno Dom 1707

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost	ESqrs Aldermen.
Johannes Jansen	
Barent Rynders	
Richard Willett	
Edward Blagge	
Abraham Keteltas	Assistants
Cornelius D: Peyster	
Richard Harris	
Petrus Bayard	
Paul Droilhiet	

Pursuant to the warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this City for the Electing this day one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one petty Constable in the five Wards on the south side of the Fresh water and one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors two Collectors two petty Constables and four Overseers of the Highways for the Out Ward of the Said City for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Said Ward to serve in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing According to the Custom Laws and Ordinances of the said City and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof at twelve of the Clock at Noon to the Office of Town Clerk under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenor of the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Vizt)

South Ward	Walter Thong	Alderman
	Christopher Denne	Assistant
	Thomas Roberts	Assessors
	Thomas Ives	
	ISaac D: Riemer	Collector
	Thomas Husk	Constable

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Dock Ward	Richard Willett	Alderman	
	Paul Droilhiett	Assistant	
	samuell Bayard, John Cruger	Assessors	
	Francis Gerbrantse	Collector	
	Gerrett Duyckinck	Constable	
East Ward	ISaac D: Riemer	Alderman	
	Olphert Suerts	Assistant	
	Andries Abramse, Abraham Wendell	Assessors	
	Peter Vantilborough	Collector	
	Robert Hickman	Constable	
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West Ward	William Smith	Alderman	
	Petrus Bayard	Assistant	
	Bartholemew Laroux, Jacobus Coelet	Assessors	
	Paulus Turck	Collector	
	John Suire	Constable	
North Ward	David Provoost	Alderman	
	Johannes Vansanta	Assistant	
	Jacobus Kip, Abraham Kip	Assessors	
	William Egth	Collector	
	Joost Lynsen	Constable	
Out Ward	Edward Blagge	Alderman	
	John Hendrickse Brevoort	Assistant	
	samuell Kip	assessor	for the Bowry Division
	Folkert Heermans	Collector	
	John De Voor	Constable	
	Jacob Cornelisse, Johannes Tomasse	Surveyors of Highway	
	Johannes Meyer	Assessor	for Harlem Division
	Gerrett Dyckman	Collector	
	zacharias syckells	Constable	
	Thomas Turneur, Abraham Montagne	Surveyors of Highways	

His Excellency in Council was pleased to Appoint Ebenezer Willson ESq[r] Mayor & William Anderson ESq[r] Sheriff of the City & County of New York for the year Ensueing.

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RESOLVED Nemine Contra Dicente that Mr Robert Lurting the present Chamberlain or Treasurer of this City is hereby Elected Treasurer or Chamberlain of this Corporation for the year Ensueing.

The Mayor has Appointed William Barclay the present high Constable of this City to be high Constable of this City for the year Ensueing

ORDER'D the Church Wardens of this City put A Badge upon the Cloths of such poor as are Clothed by this City with this Mark N: Y in blew or Red Cloath att their discretion.

ORDER'D That the ferry of this Corporation between Nassaw Island and this City with the New ferry house Old house Barn pen and all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging scituate on Nassaw Island be lett to farm on the tenth day of October Next Ensueing for the Term of five years to Commence from the 25th day of March Next Ensueing the date hereof. and itt is hereby ORDERED that Alderman Provoost Alderman Rynders Alderman Willett Mr D: Peyster and Mr Harris or any three of [106] them be A Committee to lett the same to farm att the house of Mr Harris in New York on the said Tenth day of October att three of the Clock in the Afternoon by publick Outcry to the highest bidder.

ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the said City on Wensday the first day of October Anno Dom 1707

Present William Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
Johannes Jansen
Richard Willett } ESqrs Aldermen
Barent Rynders
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris } Assistants
Paul Droilhet
Petrus Bayard

RESOLVED the ferry of this Corporation between this City & Nassaw Island pursuant to the Order of this Court made the 29th day of September last past be lett to farm on the Conditions following (Vizt)

CONDITIONS for farming the Ferry of the City of New York with the New Brick house on Nassaw Island Old house Barn and penn

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thereunto belonging for the Term of five years to Commence the twenty fifth day of March Next Ensueing the date hereof.

Imp THAT the Lessee Shall be Obliged within Eight days Next Ensueing the date hereof to Execute his Counter part of the Lease and to give Bond for performance of Covenants with such sufficient sureties as the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the said City Shall Judge Needfull

2d THAT the Lessee shall be Obliged to pay the Rent of the ferry house &c: unto the Treasurer of the City of New York for the time being by four Even quarterly payments in Every year of lawfull Money of the Province of New York.

3d THAT the Lessee shall provide and maintain at his own Charge & Expence two great Boats or scows for the Carrying & Transporting of Cattle Corn &c: and two small boats for the Transportation of [107] Passengers and that the great and small Boats one of each be kept on each side of the River and the small boats to be Constantly going to and fro and not both to Remain on the same Side of the River att any time and also to Keep good and able men to Row in the Same Boats who shall give their Constant Attendance and be ready at all times According to former usage and Custom.

4th THAT the Said Lessee Shall at his own Charge and Expence Keep and maintain one sufficient pound for the securing of Cattle to be transported to and from the City of New York and when deliver'd at the Ferry to take Charge thereof and to find and provide all Ropes and Other Nessessaries for Keeping them there and for their Transportation likewise and all Corn Provisions Passengers and Other goods to be landed at New York at the places hereafter Mentioned

5th THAT the Said Lessee in the Aforesaid New ferry house upon Nassaw Island Shall Keep A publick house of Entertainment in Order that Strangers and Travellers and their horses may have good Accommodation at Reasonable Rates during the Term of the said Lease.

6th THAT the Lessee during the said Lease Shall Keep uphold support and Maintain at his own proper Cost Charge and Expence the Aforesaid New Brick house Barn Well and Landing Bridge

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on Nassaw Island in good and sufficient Repair during the Lease Aforesaid and at the Expiration of the same the Said house Barn Well & Landing Bridge and appurtenances thereunto belonging soe well and sufficiently Kept Maintained and Repaired and Amended Shall peaceably and Quietly surrender and Yield up to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York for the time being or their Assigns.

7th THAT if the Said Lessee or his Assigns make default of any of the Quarterly payments to be made as Aforesaid or in fourteen days after then itt Shall and may be lawfull for the Said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York or their Assigns the demised premises to Reenter and possession thereof to take and to farm Lett in as full and Ample manner as if the same had not been before demised.

8th THAT if the said Lessee Shall Neglect or refuse to give security for the performance of Covenants as Aforesaid that then the said ferry houses and Appurtenances Shall be again demised and to farm Lett and if farmed for less than first agreed on the said first farmer [108] or Lessee is to make good and pay the loss with all Charges & Expences and if the same be farmed for more he to have the benefitt thereby

9th THAT the said Lessee or his Assigns Shall not Impose or take any Other Rates or prices for ferriage than what are hereafter mentioned (Vizt)

Every Single person to pay for going over Eight Stivers in Wampum or A silver two pence.

Each person in Company four Stivers in Wampum or a silver penny if after Sunsett double ferriage

Each horse or beast Single one Shiling in Company Nine pence

Each Colt or Calfe three pence.

Each Hog Eight Stivers in Wampum or A silver two pence

Each Sheep four Stivers Wampum or A silver penny.

Each Barrell of Rum Sugar Malasses, Oyle Pork &c: three pence

Each Empty Barrell four Stivers Wampum or A silver penny

A Beasts Hide the like

A Firkin or Tubb of Butter two Stivers Wampum.

Every three Bushells of Corn A silver penny or four Stivers Wampum

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A Pale of Butter two Stivers
Every Bushell of Salt two Stivers
Every hogshead of Tobacco Nine pence
The before Mentioned Rates to be paid by all Passengers att their going into the ferry boat and for all Cattle horses and Other goods & things when the ferryman Receives the same into his Boat in Silver or Wampum

THAT the Said Lessee Shall and doe during the Term of the
10th said Lease land from, and take on board into the ferry boats and Every of them all passengers provisions and all Other goods whatsoever Coming to the City of New York or going from the same (Neat Cattle and horses or A single Person or two that shall Call after the said ferry Boat is put off Excepted) at the Respective places hereafter Mentioned that is to Say Every Munday and Thursday at Countess Key Every Tuesday and fryday at Burgers Path and Every Wensday and Saturday at the Dock Slip near Coll Cortlandts house and at no Other places whatsoever and that if the said Lessee or his Assigns or any of them Shall Land from or take on board the ferry boats or any of them any Passengers or Other goods whatsoever (Except as above is Excepted) at any Other place whatsoever he or they Shall forfeit the sum of thirty Shilings for Every such Offence the one halfe to the Informer and the Other halfe to the Corporation of New York & to be Recovered by Plaint before the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen of the said City of New York or any one of them [109] And upon the before Mentioned Conditions the said ferry, houses Barn &c: to be demised for the Term aforesaid to the highest bidder.

MEMORANDUM the Said ferry was Demised unto James Harding of the City of New York Victualler for the yearly Rent of one hundred and Eighty pounds ℔ Annum he being the highest bidder upon the Conditions before Mentioned on which Original Conditions the said James Harding Subscribed an Endorsment in hæc Verba (Vizt) I underwritten James Harding of the City of New York Victualler doe hereby Acknowledge to Have Hired or farmed the before Mentioned ferry ferry houses and Appurtenances for the Term of five years upon the above Mentioned Conditions for the yearly Rent of one hundred and Eighty pounds ℔ Annum lawfull Money of the Province of New York as wittness my hand this tenth day of October Anno Dom̄ 1707 James Hardinge

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ATT A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on saturday the 11th day of October Anno Dom̄ 1707

Present William Peartree ESq^{r} Mayor
John Tuder ESq^{r} Recorder

ESq^{rs} Aldermen:
David Proovoost
Johannes Jansen
Barent Rynders
Richard Willett

Assistants:
Cornelius D: Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Paul Droilhiet

The Committee Appointed for Letting the ferry &c: of this City to farm make their Report in hæc Verba (Viz^{t})

Pursuant to an Order of Common Council to us directed dated the twenty Ninth of September last past wee have this tenth day of October 1707 lett to farm the ferry of the Corporation of New York between Nassaw Island and this City with the New ferry house old house Barn Penn and all and singuler the Appurtenances thereunto belonging scituate on Nassaw Island to James Harding of the said City Victualler for the sum of one hundred and Eighty pounds Currant Money of Said City [110] ℔ Annum According to Articles thereof made and to him produced and by the said James Harding Signed Wittness our hands the Said tenth day of October Anno Dom̄ 1707

D Provoost
B Rynders
Richard Willett
C D Peyster
Rich: Harris

which Report is Approved and ORDER'D that the Mayor of this City for the time being Execute A Lease Accordingly

Warr^{t} Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warant to the Treasurer to pay to Richard Harris one pound twelve Shilings Currant Money of New York itt being Expences on leasing the ferry of this City the tenth day of this Instant Month of October.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 14th day of October Anno Dom 1707.

Present Will Peartree ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Johannes Jansen
Barent Rynders
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
} ESqrs Aldermen

Cornelius D Peyster
Abraham Keteltas
Richard Harris
Paul Droilhiet
Peter Bayard
Wolfert Webber
} Assistants

This day William Peartree ESqr the present Mayor being attended by Ebenezer Willson ESqr the Mayor Elect the Aldermen Sheriff Assistants Assessors Collectors High Constable Petty Constables and Other Officers of this Corporation According to the usual formality Assembled together at the hour of Nine in the forenoon of the same day att the City Hall of the Said City and from thence in their formalitys waited upon his Excellency the Governour in Council at her Majestys Garrison Fort Anne where were Administred unto Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor Elect of this City and unto William Anderson ESqr Sheriff of the City and County of New York the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and Supremacy the Test and Oath of Abjuration & also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices which done his Excellency the Governour delivered unto them their Respective Commissions upon which the New and Old Mayor attended as Aforesaid and the New Sheriff went to Trinity Church where the Reverend Mr William Vezey Rector thereof Read divine service And preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion which done the Mayors Aldermen Assistants Sheriffs and Other Officers Returned to the City Hall, where, (after the Ringing of [111] three Bells) the Commissions of the Mayor and Sheriff and also A Commission to the Mayor for the Office of Clerk of the Markett of the Said City were published after which they all Repaired to the Court Chamber where the New Mayor Resumed the Chair and the Old Mayor delivered unto him the Charter

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and seals of the said City after which the Mayor and Recorder Caused the Oaths Aforesaid Appointed by Act of Parliament &c: Test & Abjuration Oath to be Administred unto David Provoost Alderman of the North Ward, ISaac D'Riemer Alderman of the East Ward William Smith Alderman of the West Ward Richard Willett Alderman of the Dock Ward Edward Blagge Alderman of the Out Ward and Walter Thong Alderman of the south Ward and unto Johannes Vansanta Assistant of the North Ward Olfert Suerts Assistant of the East Ward, Paul Droilhiet Assistant of the Dock Ward & John Hendrickse Brevoort Asistant of the Out Ward and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective offices and Accordingly they tooke their places

Petrus Bayard Assistant of the West Ward and Christopher Denne Assistant of the South Ward were absent.

William Barclay high Constable of this City Robert Hickman Constable of the East Ward, John Suire Constable of the West Ward, Joost Lynsen Constable of the North Ward Thomas Husk Constable of the south Ward, John De Voor Constable of the Bowry and zacharias Syckells Constable of Harlem were Sworn to the due Execution of their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing.

Gerrett Duyckinck Elected Constable of the Dock Ward was absent.

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held att the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 28th day of October Anno Dom 1707

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

	David Provoost	ESqrs Aldermen
	ISaac D: Riemer	
	William Smith	
	Richard Willett	
	Walter Thong	
[112]	Olfert Suerts	Assistants
	Petrus Bayard	
	Paul Droilhiet	
	Christopher Denne	
	Johannes Vansanta	

Mr Robert Lurting Treasurer or Chamberlain of the City was this day sworn to the due Execution of his Office

Christopher Denne Assistant of the South Ward and Petrus Bayard

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Assistant of the West Ward had this day the Oaths Administred unto them Appointed to be taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and supremacy the Test the Abjuration Oath & for the due Execution of their Office and Accordingly tooke their places

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue A Warrant to the Alderman of the Dock Ward of this City for the Election of A Constable in the Room of Mr Gerrett Duyckinck who has formerly served in the Offices of Assistant & Alderman of this City.

ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost Alderman D: Riemer Alderman Smith Alderman Willett or any three of them be A Committee to Assist the Treasurer in bringing the Books of this Corporation to A Ballance in Order the same be Stated and Adjusted and to make A List of the City Debtors.

ORDER'D that the Mayor and Alderman Provoost doe Agree with four Able Citizens to be the Bellmen of this City from the first day of November Next to the first day of April following

ORDER'D that an Ordinance of this City Entituled an Ordinance of the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council for the Carrying in the fortifications of the Said City be and is hereby Ordered to be in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof.

ORDER'D that Alderman Willett and Mr Denne be A Committee to Agree for the Lineing and making Decent the Pew assigned for the Mayor And Magistrates of this City in Trinity Church Not to Exceed seaven pounds ten Shilings

Warr! Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr Vesey five pounds Currant Money of this Province for preaching A sermon to this Corporation on the fourteenth day Instant being the Anniversary day of Swearing the New Mayor Magistrates & Other Officers of this City.

Warrant Issued

[113] ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds four Shillings Currant Money of New York itt being for halfe A years sallary as Town Clerk of this City ending the fourteenth Instant & for pen Ink and paper for one year ending the same time

ORDER'D that the Petition of the Widdow Tothill be Refer'd to the Committee Appointed to Assist the Treasurer &c: & that they make Report thereupon to the Next Common Council

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Resolved that the Butchers Shop in the Broadway now in the Occupation of Jeremiah Callcutt be Demolished and pulled down and that the Said Jeremiah Callcutt have Liberty to Convert the Materialls thereof to his own use by the Mayors Lycense he producing his Lease thereof to the Mayor

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on fryday the 21th day of November Anno Dom 1707

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
William Smith
Richard Willett
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Olfert Suerts
Petrus Bayard
Paul Droilhiet
Christopher Denne
Johannes Vansanta
Jan Hendricks Brevoort

Att the Request of James Harding the farmer of the ferry of this City itt is Ordered that itt being A Clause in the Lease that the Lessee of the ferry and his assigns have Liberty to Land from and take on board the ferry boats all Passengers att the most Convenient place after Sun Sett, the Lease of the Said ferry was also read and Approved and Ordered that the Mayor Execute the same and that the Lessee give bond with two sufficient sureties in the sum of three hundred and Sixty pounds for performance of Covenants.

[114] Order'd that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Henry Swift Vintner the sum of Eight pounds five Shilings Currant Money of New York itt being for wine And A Dinner as A treat to his Excellency the Governour made by this Corporation on his Excell Arrival here from his Other Government of New Jersey on the thirteenth Instant.

Warrant Issued

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mr Christopher Denne or Order the sum of five pounds Sixteen Shilings and Nine pence three farthing Currant Money of New York being Money

Warrant Issued

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Expended for fitting & Lineing the Pew of the Mayor and Aldermen of this City in Trinity Church.

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Capt Benjamin Faneuil or Order the sum of thirteen pounds fifteen Shilings and five pence three farthings Currant Money of New York itt being for Oak Planks Laths and Lead &c: by him sold and delivered for the use of the New City Hall of this City the 27th day of November 1700 which is allowed.

Warrant Issued for Nine pounds

The Mayor and Alderman Provoost Report that pursuant to an Order of this Court of the 28th of October last they have Agreed with Edward Davis William Richardson Daniell Jones and William Dobbs to be the Bellmen of this City untill the first day of April Next Ensueing for the sum of thirty Six pounds, Nine pounds whereof is to be paid them forthwith for the buying of wood &c: which Report is Approved and ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay unto them Nine pounds on Acct thereof Accordingly

ORDER'D that Alderman Willett and Alderman Thong be A Committee to Employ persons to Repair the little Bridge by the Dock, that they doe not Expend above four pounds in the doing thereof And that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay the Charge thereof Accordingly

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes or Order the sum of *the sum of* five pounds Eighteen Shilings & six pence Currant Money of New York [115] itt being for Candles for the Watch from the fourth of April last to the first Instant and for his Sallary as Marshall of this City to the fourteenth of October last past and for two Journeys to Harlem as Appears by his Acct. which is allowed.

The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of New York on the 21th day of November 1707 Established the Assize of Bread in the Said City as followeth (Vizt)

ORDER'D that the Assize of Bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt)

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh two pounds and A halfe for four pence halfe penny

A Wheaten Loafe-the Coursest bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh three pounds for four pence halfe penny

A White loafe of the finest flower to weigh thirteen Ounces for

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three halfe pence. and that no Other bread be made for Sale within this City but According to the above Assize (Biskett only Excepted) and ORDER'D that all the Bakers of this City doe take Notice thereof and bake their Bread Accordingly wheat being att five Shilings & Six pence ℔ Bushell.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday the 19th day of December Anno Dom̄ 1707.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
ISaac D: Riemer
William Smith
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
} ESqrs Aldermen
Olfert Suerts
Paul Droilhiet
Jan Hendrickse Brevoort
} Assistants

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Walter thong or Order the sum of one pound Eighteen Shilings and Nine pence Currant Money of New York itt being Money by him disburst for the Repair of the Little Bridge as Appears by his Acct which is allowed

Warrant Issued

[116] ORDER'D that for the future there be four Guagers Packers & Cullers of this City and that they each pay to the City for their Lycense the sum of Eighteen Shilings with Usual fees & to be Renewed yearly and that they Receive for Culling Every thousand of Staves two Shilings, for Packing Every Barrell of Beef or Pork Nine pence & for Pickling Every Barrell four pence halfe penny Any former Law of this Corporation to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding.

The Abovesaid Law together with the following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City hereafter Mentioned were this day made Ordained Established and Published and ORDER'D to be Continue & Remain in full force and Vertue According to the Tenor thereof for the Space of three Months from and after the date hereof. (Vizt.)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
Surveyors of the City
To prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett

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Assize of Bread to be Established
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Accᵗ of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen & Apprentices
Laws & Orders for the Government of the Dock & Slips
Law Against firing Guns in the Street &c:
Law agt. Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed near the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A Fine on such as Refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets, &c:
Swine prohibited to run at large
Law agᵗ Digging holes &c: in the Commons
Law for Preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates &c: who dye &c:
Law Imposing A fine upon Elective officers refusing t ı Serve.
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observant in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Law Imposing A fine upon Such of the Out Ward as Refuse to mend the Highways
Law Concerning Guagers Packers & Cullers.

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Munday the second day of February Anno Dom 1707[-8]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
ISaac D: Riemer
Richard Willett
Walter Thong.
Edward Blagge
} ESqrs Aldermen
Olfert Suerts
Petrus Bayard
Paul Droilhiet
Jan Hendrickse Brevoort
} Assistants.

The Mayor Acquainted this Court that his Excellency the Gover-

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nour had Acquainted him that one Cornelius Sebring had Petitioned his Lordship for the Queens Grant of A Ferry between this City and long Island and that he had Order'd him A Copy of the Said Petition which the Mayor produced & was read.

ORDER'D that this Corporation doe forthwith Petition his Excellency the Governour to Reject the Said Petition, and to Acknowledge his favour therein in Granting to the Mayor A Copy thereof, & that A Petition be Drawn by the Town Clerk Accordingly and that this Court meet together at Eleaven A Clock on Wensday Next in the forenoon at the City Hall in Order to sign the same

The Mayor Informed this Court that zachariah syckells Constable of Harlem Division of the Out Ward of this City by A writt Issuing out of the Supream Court of this Province was lately Arrested in an Action of Trespass by one Thomas Turneur of Harlem for Executing A Warrant Issued by the Alderman of the Said Ward by Vertue of A by Law of this City in distraining the Said Turneur for Six Shilings for Refusing to Assist at the Repairing of the highways of the Said Ward Pursuant to the Said Bylaw &c: RESOLVED itt is the Opinion of this Court that this Corporation Ought to defend and Support the Said Constable in the due Execution of his Office at the Charge of this Corporation and itt is hereby ORDERED that the Recorder and such Other Council at Law as the Mayor Shall see Cause to Retain for this City do defend the said Action att the Charge of this Corporation

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday the fourth day of february Anno Dom 1707[-8]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
ISaac D: Riemer
William Smith
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Olfert Suerts
Petrus Bayard
Johannes Vansanta
Christopher Denne
Paul Droilhiet
Jan Hendrickse Brevoort

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The following Petition was three times read and Approved and signed by this Court Nemine Contra dicente & ORDER'D that this Court doe Immediately wait upon his Excellency the Governour and Present the same.

To His Excellency Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt General and Governour in Chiefe of her Majestys Province of New York &c: and Territories depending thereon in America and Vice Admiral of the same &c:

The Humble Petition of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of her Majesty's City and Corporation of New York

MOST HUMBLY SHEWETH

That the Inhabitants of the Said City and Corporation for Seaventy years past have peaceably and Quietly Possess'd and Enjoy'd several Rights Liberties Priviledges Franchises Free Customs Preheminencies Advantages Jurisdictions Emoluments and Immunities Granted & Confirmed unto them by her Majestys Royal Ancestors and the divers Governours Authorized and Commissioned by them as well as by the several Governours Directors and Commanders in Chiefe of the Nether Dutch Nation whilst the same was under their power and Subjection to the great increase of her Majestys Revenue [119] and the sencible Growth and Advancement of her Majestys Said City & Province and among the Rest that of the ferry between the said City and Nassaw Island (formerly Called long Island) and that the loading and landing place of the Said Ferry from this City on Nassaw Island hath been Commonly Esteemed and Reputed for seaventy years past to Extend from A heap of Rock Stones Gathered together on A small wharfe or Landing bridge Near the ferry house on the Said Island unto the West End of the Hill to the Westward of the same and that from high water to low water Mark for the Accommodation of all passengers and Travellers to and from this City as well as for the loading and unloading of wheat and Other Provisions which are Accustomed to be there loaded in the ferry boats for the subsistance of the Inhabitants of this City at all times of Tide and which Said Ferry (at the great charge & Expence of the Inhabitants of the Said City and Corporation by their Erecting several Publick Buildings for the service thereof) is rendred Very Commodious to all Persons Pass-

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ing the same at very Easy and moderate Rates and is duely and Regularly Kept and attended with able men Boats and scows and without the least Complaint of Omission or Neglect by Any persons whatsoever, the Profitts whereof have allways been Appropriated by this Corporation for the Publick Service of the Government of the Said City and is the only Considerable Income left to Support the publick Buildings Bridges Gaols Landing places fire and Candle for their watches the Sallarys of their Officers Bellmen &c: and to defray the Other publick and Nessessary Charge of the Said City And was Granted unto the Inhabitants of the Said City under the seal of this Province in the year 1686 and Confirmed unto them by an Act of General Assembly Entituled an Act for the settling Quieting and Confirming unto the Citys Towns Mannors and Freeholders within this Province their several Grants Patents and Rights Respectively.

That your Excellencys Petitioners by your Lordships benign favour and goodness understanding that one Cornelius sebring for his own Private Lucre and Gain is soliciting your Lordship for her Majestys Grant of Another Ferry from Nassaw Jsland to this City and of Most of the Landing places now belonging to this City designing thereby to make Considerable Improvements to Ruine and destroy the present ferry the Chief Income [120] And support of this Corporation for the Prevention whereof

Your Excellencys Petitioners most humbly Supplicate that Your Lordship will be favourably pleased to take the premisses into Your Prudent Consideration and for the Reasons Aforesaid (tho many more may be Offered to[o] long here to Incert) to Reject the unreasonable and unjust Petition of the said Cornelius Sebring wee having an intire Confidence of Your Excellencys Justice and goodness that as you have hitherto Protected us in our Just Rights and Priviledges (for which wee Return your Lordship our most dutifull and Gratefull Acknowledgments) So your Lordship will Continue to Countenance and Protect us in the same and that you will Ever prefer the publick welfare of So Loyall and Considerable A People as this Corporation are before the Interest and unjust Pretences of A Private Person

And Your Excellencys Petitioners as in duty bound Shall Ever pray &c:

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 9th day of february Anno Dom 1707[-8]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
ISaac D: Riemer
William smith
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Olfert Suerts
Paul Droilhiet
Johannes Vansanta
Christopher Denne
John Hendrickse Brevoort

Order'd that the Mayor fee Council to Appear before the Governour in Council on Thursday next to defend the Rights and Priviledges of this Corporation agt the unjust pretences of Cornelius Sebring.

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday ye: 3d day of March Anno Dom 1707[-8]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Isaac D: Riemer
William Smith
Edward Blagge
Richard Willett
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Olfert suerts
Paul Droilhiet
Christopher Denne
Johannes Vansanta
John Hendrickse Brevoort

The Mayor Informed this Court that upon A hearing before his Excellency the Governour and Council the last Council day the Petition of Cornelius Sebring for a Grant of A ferry from Nassaw Island to this City was rejected.

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RESOLVED Nemine Contra dicente that this Corporation forthwith petition his Excellency the Governour for her Majestys Grant of all the Vacant Land upon Nassaw Island from High water to low water mark from the Wallabought to the Redhooke for A further Conveniency for the ferry of this City with power to Establish one or more ferrys if there Shall be Occasion and A Confirmation of the same under A Moderate quitt Rent and at Reasonable Rates &c:

RESOLVED that the sum of three hundred pounds be Raised by this Corporation to be Imployed & laid out for the procuring A Grant for the same

The following Petition was read and Approved & ORDERED to be Engrossed & that Mr Mayor Mr Recorder and Alderman Provoost or Any two of them be A Committee to present the same.

To His Excellency Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt Genll and Governour in Chief of the Province of New York &c: and Territories depending thereon in America & Vice Admiral of the same &c:

[122] The Humble Petition of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonality of the City of New York

MOST HUMBLY SHEWETH

That the Petitioners having A Right and Interest in the ferry from this City to Nassaw Island and from the Said Island to this City again and to all the profitts and Advantages thereof perceive itt to fall much short of what they might reasonably Expect from the same if the bounds and Limitts of the Said ferry were something Extended on the Said Island side whereby to hinder and prevent that Priviledge and liberty which divers persons now take of Transporting themselves and Goods to and from the said Island of Nassaw over the said River without Coming to or landing at the usual and Accustomed places where the said ferry boats are Kept & Appointed to the great loss and damage of the Petitioners (the profitts thereof being wholy Appropriated for the publick service and Government of the said City[)]. And it being Obvious to your Petitioners that some private persons for their own Lucre and Gain have solicited your Excellency for Another ferry on the said Island fronting to this City which if Granted would be of great damage to this Corporation & all the Inhabitants thereof and as the Petitioners humbly Conceive would in time not only prove Injurious

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to the Trade and Commerce of this City but also be A means to lessen the Income of her Majestys Revenue Established upon trade to the General decay of the Province (the Improvement thereof Imployed now in Traffique being scarcely able to Maintain the Inhabitants now in this City whose livelyhood does only rely thereon[)].

Your Excellencys Petitioners therefore most humbly pray that Your Lordship will be favourably pleased to take the premisses into Your prudent Consideration and Order her Majestys Grant unto the Petitioners and their successors for all the Vacant and Unappropriated Ground on Nassaw Island from high water to low water Mark fronting unto this City from the place Called the Wallabought unto the Red hooke against Nutten Island for the better Improvement and Accommodation of the said ferry and also that your Excellency would be further pleased to Order unto the Petitioners and their successors her Majestys Grant of Confirmation for the Said ferry on both Sides of the Said River with power to Establish one or more ferrys if there Shall be Occasion & to make by-Laws for the more Orderly Regulation thereof at Such reasonable Rates and under such Moderate quitt Rent as your Lordship in your great prudence Shall see meet

And your Excellencys Petitioners as in duty bound Shall Ever pray &c:

[123] The Committee Appointed to View what Repairs were wanting to the ferry house &c: on Nassaw Island, Report that the Glass Windows of the Said house want mending, That the Barn wants several Repairs, that the Well wants Some Repairs, That the fence of the Penn wants Repair and the Stairs going out of the house, that the Chimneys and the house wants plastering in several places of which Repairs wanting they Acquainted Dirck Benson the Lessee of the Said ferry who promised forthwith to Amend and Repair the same According to his Covenants

Wilt Smith
Walter Thong
Ch: Denne
Olfert Suerts
Johannes Vansanta

Resolved that James Harding the Lessee of the ferry have Liberty to Expend and [have] laid out the sum of thirty pounds for the Repairing the litle old ferry house of this Corporation on Nassaw Island which is Contiguous to the New ferry house, which sum of thirty pounds Shall be allowed unto him out of the Rent he is to pay for the ferry &c: Provided he Covenant with this City to Support Amend and Maintain the

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same in good Repair and att the Expiration of his lease to leave the same in good & sufficient Repair &c:

Warrant Issued

Upon reading the Report of the Committee Appointed to Audit the acct of Mrs Janneke Tothill itt is Ordered that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Said Mrs Jane Tothill Executrix of the last Will and Testament of her late husband Mr Jeremiah Tothill deceased the sum of Nine pounds Nineteen Shilings and Eleaven pence half penny Currant Money of New York itt being in full for Nails by the said Jeremiah Tothill in his life time sold and delivered to Peter Willemse for the use of the City Hall of this City in September 1700 as Appears by her Acct which is Allowed

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on saturday ye: 27th day of March Anno Dom 1708

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Isaac D: Riemer
William smith
Richard Willett
Walter Thong
Edward Blagge

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Assistants:
Christopher Denne
Paul Droilhiet
Johannes Vansanta
John Hendrickse Brevoort

By the Mayor and Aldermen

Order'd that the assize of bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt).

A White loaf of the finest flower to weigh fifteen Ounces for three halfe pence

A White loaf of the finest flower to weigh three pounds for four Pence halfe penny

A Wheaten loafe the Coursest bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh three pounds and a halfe for four pence half penny and that no Other bread be made for sale within this City but According

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to the above Assize (Biskett only Excepted) and ORDER'D that all the Bakers of this City do take Notice thereof and bake their bread Accordingly wheat att four shilings & six pence ℔ Bushell

The Committee to View what Repairs are wanting to the ferry house &c: Report that the following Repairs are wanting (Viz^{t})

In the Back Room above Stairs two whole Glass windows three pains two bolts and two hooks.

In the New Room one Window Shutter and three pains of Glass.

In the Gerrett three Bolts one Window hooke and seaven pains of Glass

In the fore lower Room one latch and Ring for the Door one Window Bolt and three pains of Glass.

In the Back lower Room one window hasp and one pain of glass

In the Cellar Seaventeen panes of Glass and one window hooke and to the Cellar Door A Ring and A latch.

In the Barn wants three hinges the Doors to be sett up and the Barn to be Repaired

A Rope and Buckett for the Well & to put the Pen in Repair

ORDER'D that Dirck Benson forthwith Compleat the above Repairs and that as soon as the same are performed the Treasurer deliver up to the Said Dirck Benson the Counter part of the Lease of the ferry & his Bond for performance of Covenants.

THE FOLLOWING LAWS Orders and Ordinances of this City hereafter Mentioned were this day made Ordained Established and published and ORDER'D to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue According to the Tenor thereof for the Space of three Months from and after the date hereof (Viz^{t})

For the Observation of the Lords day

Concerning Strangers

None to Keep publick houses without Lycense to Sell Strong Liquors by Retaile

Surveyors of the City

To Prevent fire

Regulations for the Markett

Assize of bread to be Established

Regulations for Carmen

Masters of Vessels to give Acc^{t} of their Passengers

Common Council to Appear upon summons

Guagers Packers and Cullers

Freemen and Apprentices

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Laws & Orders for the Government of the Dock and Slips
Law agt firing Guns in the Streets
Laws agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed near the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon Such as refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets &c:
[125] Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
Swine Prohibited to Run at large
Law agt digging holes on the Commons or Cutting Sodds
Law for Preventing frauds in firewood
Law for the Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates &c: who dye &c:
Law Imposing a fine upon Elected Officers refusing to serve.
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observant in the Execution of the Laws
Law prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Law Imposing A Fine upon such of the Out Ward as refuse to mend the highways
Law Concerning Guagers Packers and Cullers.

Order'd that Alderman Provoost Alderman Willett Alderman Thong Mr Denne and Mr Droilhiet and the surveyor of this City or any four of them be A Committee to lay out the land formerly sold by this City in the Dock Street that they begin at the Corner lott by Burgers path and lay out to Every Grantee their land According to their Respective Grants and that they also deliver to Mr Outman Possession of the small Slip of land lately sold to him by this Corporation.

By the Mayor and Aldermen April ye: 2d 1708

Assize of Bread

Order'd that the Assize of bread be till further Order as followeth Vizt

A White loaf of the finest flower to weigh thirteen Ounces for three half pence

A White loaf of the finest flower to weigh two pound and three quarters for four pence half penny

A Wheaten loaf the Coursest bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh three pounds and A Quarter for four pence halfe penny and that no Other bread be made for sale within this City than According to the above Assize (biskett only Excepted) and Order'd that all

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the bakers of this City do take Notice thereof and bake their bread Accordingly Dated at the City Hall of the Said City the second day of April in the seaventh year of her Majestys Reign Anno Dom 1708

Ebenezer Willson Mayor
I: D Riemer
Richard Willett
William smith
Walter Thong

[126] Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 13th day of April Anno Dom 1708

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
ISaac D: Riemer
William Smith
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Petrus Bayard
Paul Droilhiet
Christopher Denne
Johannes Vansanta
John Hendrickse Brevoort

Robert Hickman Constable of the East Ward of this City having Informed this Court that he designs to depart this Province on Thursday Next. Order'd that upon his producing Receipts from the Church Wardens that he has paid them the full of the Tax for the Minister Poor & schoolmaster &c: that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the said Ward for the Election of Another Constable in his Room at such time & place as he Shall Appoint.

The Mayor Acquainted this Court that the Governour and Council have been favourably pleased to Grant the petition lately prefer'd by this Corporation for A Confirmation of the ferry of this City and for A Grant of the Land from the Wallaboutgh to the Red hooke &c: itt is therefore hereby Resolved that the ferry of this City be Mortgaged for the sum of three hundred pounds for the defraying the Charge of taking out the Said Grant and Confirmation and that the Mayor Execute A Mortgage for the same under the seal of this City. And itt

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is hereby further ORDER'D that Mr Mayor Alderman Provoost Alderman D: Riemer Alderman smith and Alderman Thong or any three of them whereof the Mayor to be one be A Committee for Raising the said sum upon the above security and that they distribute the same for the Obtaining the Said Grant in feeing of Council & paying the Nessessary fees for the passing thereof as they Shall see meet for the use and benefitt of this Corporation and that the surplusage thereof they pay into the hands of the Treasurer of this City for the use of this Corporation.

The Petition of George Norton Butcher for Erecting A shop Near the Markett house at Burgers path was read ORDER'D the same be refer'd to Alderman D: Riemer to Enquire into the Allegations thereof and whether the [127] Granting thereof will be of any Inconveniency to the Neighbourhood thereabouts and make Report to the Next Common Council.

The Petition of some of the Inhabitants of the East Ward was read praying there be A way round the Ground of Leonard Huygen into the slip at Burgers path. ORDER'D that the said Petition be refer'd to Alderman D: Riemer and Mr Denne to Enquire into the same & Report to the Next Common Council what will be proper for this Court to doe therein.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds ten Shilings Currant Money of New York it being for half A Years sallary as Town Clerk of this City due the fourteenth Instant and one pound ten Shilings thereof being for drawing the lease of the ferry.

The Report of the Committee to lay out Land in the Dock Street was read in these words following (Vizt) Pursuant to an Order of Common Council to us directed Dated the 27th day of March last to lay out the Land formerly Sold by this City in Dock Street wee have surveyed the same and do find the Land sold to Mr Johannes Outman by said City to be in front in Said Dock Street two foot and in the Rear three foot which According to the Order as above said wee have delivered Possession to the Said Johannes Outman which is humbly submitted by

New York April 3d 1708.

D Provoost
Richd Willett
Walter Thong
Paul Droilhet
Christo: Denne
Dirck Vanderburgh

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ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost Alderman Willett Alderman Thong Alderman Smith Mr Droilhiet and Mr Denne with the Surveyor of this City be A Committee to lay out the land in the Dock street Granted by this City to Jacobus Van Cortlandt Samuell Bayard Francina Harmans and Lena Grigs According to their Respective Grants and Cause the Same to be Staked out.

ORDER'D that the Alderman and Assistant of each Respective Ward of this City doe Report to the Next Common Council what Streets Lanes and Alleys in the same are proper and Needfull to be paved.

ORDER'D that the Inhabitants of the Broadway of this City have Liberty to Plant Trees before their Respective houses & Lotts of [128] Ground. According to such directions as they Shall Receive from the Alderman and Assistant of the Said Ward or Either of them.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday ye: 28th day of April Anno Dom 1708

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
William Smith
Richard Willett } ESqrs Aldermen
Walter Thong
Isaac D: Riemer
Paul Droilhiet
Olfert Suerts } Assistants.
Johannes Vansanta

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Edward Davis William Richardson Daniell Jones and William Dobbs or Order the sum of twenty seaven pounds Curr: Money of New York which with Nine pounds already paid them is in full of their Sallary as Bellmen of this City due and Ending the first Instant.

Warr: Issued

Peter Vandyke was this day Sworn Constable of the East Ward of this City in the Room of Robert Hickman who is Removed out of the Province.

An Ordinance of this City Entituled An Ordinance Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council for the Carrying on the fortifications of the Said City which was made and published the 11th day of July last past and is

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at length Recorded in this Booke pag 81. 82 was this day Revived Ordained made Established and published and Orderd to be Remain & Continue in full force for the Term of three Months from and after the date hereof.

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday ye: 20th day of May Anno Dom 1708.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
ISaac D: Riemer
Richard Willett
Walter Thong
} ESqrs Aldermen

[129] Olfert Suerts
Paul Droilhiet
Jan Hendricks Brevoort
Christopher Denne
Johannes Vanzandt
} Assistants

Order'd that the Mayor Alderman Thong Alderman Willett Mr Vanzandt & Mr Denne or any three of them be A Committee to Agree with A sufficient inhabitant of this City to be the scavenger for the Cleaning and Carrying away the Dirt filth and Soyl of the broad Street of this City from the Corner of Garden Street that Leads from the Dutch Church into the broad Street to the litle Bridge by the Dock upon such Reasonable Terms as they shall think fitt not Exceeding fifteen pounds ℔ Annum

Order'd that Alderman D: Riemer Alderman Willett and Mr Suerts be A Committee to Examine whether the Lessees of the Dock have perform'd their Covenants or not and wherein they are deficient and to Report what Nusances are made in or about the same. That the said Committee do also Ascertain how far it will be Convenient to fill up the Eastermost Corner of the Dock Mentioned in the Said Lease for a more Convenient landing place and that the Lessees of the Said Dock do forthwith proceed to fill up the Same Accordingly.

Order'd that any three of the Committee Appointed ye: 13th day of *february* [April] last past for the laying out the land in the Dock Street Granted by this City to Jacobus V Cortlandt samuell Bayard Francina Hermans & Lena Grigs do forthwith Execute the said Order According to the true Intent & purport thereof.

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ORDER'D that Robinson Widdow have Liberty to follow any Lawfull Trade or Employment within this Corporation for the Support of her self & family during her good behaviour in such manner as the Widdows of freemen of this City do hold and Enjoy Any former Law of this Corporation to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

RESOLVED that the Order made by this Court for the filling up the Slip in Wall Street the 10th of Sepbr last be Continued and that the Petition of Some of the Inhabitants of this City to the Contrary (which was this day read) be Rejected.

The Petition of Isaac D: Riemer ESqr was read and ORDER'D that Alderman Willett Alderman Thong Alderman Provoost Alderman Smith Alderman Blagge Mr Droulhiet & Mr Vanzandt or any five of them be A Committee to Examine into the Allegations of the Petitioner and make Report to the Next Common Council.

[130] THE following Ordinance was this day Made Ordained Established and published and ORDER'D to Continue in full force & Vertue for the Term of three Months from and after the date hereof.

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AN ORDINANCE FOR PAVING THE STREETS LANES & ALLEYS WITHIN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

FORASMUCH as the former Laws of this City made for Paving the Streets within the same have been much Neglected whereby the Citizens and sojourners within the said City are much Annoyed and the Intercourse of Trade among the Inhabitants thereby much lessened for Regulating whereof be it Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and it is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that all and Every the Citizens Freeholders and Inhabitants that live in the Respective Streets Lanes and Allyes of this City Shall from and after the publication hereof well and sufficiently Pave or Cause to be well & sufficiently Paved with good and sufficient Pibble Stones suitable for paving at their own proper Costs and Charges all or so much of the Streets Lanes and Alleys within the said City as Shall front the Respective Buildings and Lotts of Ground that belong to them Respectively as Aforesaid at such time or times, in such manner and form and According to such Demensions quantity and proportion as shall from time to time be unto them Respectively directed & Appointed by the Alderman of each Respective Ward Aforesaid. And for the more Effectual Paving of the Respective Streets Lanes and Allyes Aforesaid it is hereby further Ordained by

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the Authority Aforesaid that if any Citizen Inhabitant or Freeholder as Aforesaid shall refuse delay or Neglect to make his or their proportionable pavement before their Respective buildings and Lotts of Ground as Aforesaid in manner and form aforesaid shall for such his her or their default forfeit the sum of twenty Shilings Currant Money of New York to be Recovered by Plaint before the Mayor Recorder or any one or more of the Aldermen of the said City and to be Levyed by distress and sale of the goods and Chattells of such Defaulter the one half to the Informer & the Other half to the Treasurer of this City for the use of the Corporation. And all the Respective Citizens Inhabitants and freeholders of the said City of New York are hereby required to render an Entire Complyance Accordingly Dated at the City Hall of the said City the 20th day of May in the seaventh year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lady Anne by the Grace of God Queen of great Brittain France & Ireland Defender of the faith &c: Annoq Dom̄ 1708.

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday ye: 20th day of July Anno Dom̄ 1708.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Isaac D: Riemer
William smith
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Petrus Bayard
Johannes Vansanta
Christopher Denne
Paul Droilhiet
John Hendrickse Brevort

The several Laws Orders and Ordinances of this City and Corporation hereafter Mentioned were this day made Ordained Established & published after the Ringing of three Bells and Order'd that the same Remain Continue and be in full force & Vertue for the Space of three Months from and after the date hereof (Viz:)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers

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None to Keep publick houses without Lycense or Sell Strong Liquors by Retail
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acc^{t} of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and Slips
Law against firing Gunns in the Streets
Law against Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed near the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon such as refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the streets
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
swine Prohibited to Run at large
Law against digging holes in the Commons or digging Sodds
Law for Preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates who dye &c:
[132] Law Imposing A fine upon Elective Officers Refusing to serve
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Law Imposing A fine upon such of the Out Ward as refuse to mend Highways
Law Concerning Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes & Alleys within the City of New York.

Resolved that this Court do Petition his Excellency my Lord Cornbury to lay before her Majesty and the Lords Commissioners of Trade & Plantations the decaying State of this City & Corporation Occasion'd by the passing of an Act of General Assembly of this Province Entituled An Act against unlawfull By Laws & unreasonable forfeitures and likewise such Papers Writings & Reasons as may be an Inducement to her Most sacred Majesty to Abbrogate & Repeal

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the said Law and that Mr Mayor Alderman Provoost Alderman Willett Mr Droilhiet Alderman D: Riemer Mr Denne or any four of them be A Committee to prepare the said Petition & Other writings and papers as may be Nessessary and that the Town Clerk attend the said Committee

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 14th day of Sepbr Anno Domi 1708.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
William smith
Walter Thong
Edward Blagge
Richard Willett
} ESqrs Aldermen

John Hendrickse Brevort
Johannes Vanzant
Christopher Denne
} Assistants.

ORDER'D that the following Petition be Engrossed and signed by the Mayor in behalf of this Corporation and by him be delivered to the Genll Assembly of this Province and that if Occasion be to fee Council for and defend the Rights and Priviledges of this City before the said house

To the Honble the Generall Assembly of the Province of New York

[132*] The Humble Petition of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York

HUMBLY SHEWETH

That your Petitioner being Informed by the Votes of this Honble house that Coll Cortlandt A Member thereof and one of the Representatives for this Corporation (to their great surprize) hath presented to this house A Bill Entituled an Act for better Enforcing Certain Covenants Relating to the ferry to New York doe humbly Represent that the said Bill so presented was without their Knowledge and Consent, and humbly Conceiving that the Enforcing or Releasing of any Private Contract without the knowledge or Privity of the persons

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parties to such Contract may be of dangerous Consequence and worthy of the Consideration of this Honble Assembly

Your Petitioners therefore most humbly pray that they may be heard before this Honble house by their Council touching the said Bill before the same do pass

And your Petitioners shall pray &c:

℔ Order of Common Council

Ebenezer Willson Mayor

LAW PROHIBITING SWINE TO RUN AT LARGE IN THE OUT WARD IN THE BOWRY DIVISION

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor Aldermen & Commonality of the City of New York Convened in Common *in Common* Council & it is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that after the first day of November Next Ensueing itt Shall and may be Lawfull for any person or persons whatsoever to Kill any Swine that shall be found running at large in the Commons of this City in the Out Ward of the same City on the Westside of the Sawkill bridge and Convert the same to his or their own use Any former Law of this City to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Walter Thong or Order the sum of two pounds Currant Money of New York it being Money by him disburst for Repairing the little bridge by the Dock this Instant September as Appears by his Acct which is allowed.

[133] The Committee Appointed y^e^ 20^th^ of May last to Agree with A scavenger doe Report that they have Agreed with Jacob Cousine Carman to be scavenger of this City from the second day of June last past to the second day of June Next Ensueing to Carry away the Soyle out of the broad Street from the Garden Street to the little bridge at the south End of the Said broad street for the sum of twelve pounds ℔ Annum which Report is Approved & ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrants to the Treasurer for the payment of the same quarterly.

The Report of the Committee for Viewing the Dock &c: was read Approved and is in these words following [(]Viz^t^).

New York June y^e^ 4^th^ 1708

IN PURSUANCE to an Order directed to us dated the 20^th^ May 1708 wee have Viewed the Dock and Wharfes belonging to the same & doe find the wharfs in good Repair According to the Lease but find the Dock not Cleansed According to the Lessees Agreement also the

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Westermost of the Dock from the Markett house to the Outmost part of the Dock not fitted up as is Mentioned in the Agreement which wee find Conditional as also the Eastermost part which we have Order'd to be fitted up from three foot from the Westermost part of Mr Phillips wharfe plate to runn over against A small post on the Other side of the Dock with the Lease is ready to Comply with. as to the Nusances the wharfe by Coll Depeysters Store houses & fronting the Markett house also the wharfe against Aldermans Blaggs Lotts wholy out of Repair which Occasions A great deal of Soyle & Dirt going into the Dock which is humbly submitted by

I: D: Riemer
Richd Willett
Olfert suerts

The Petition of Thomas Grigson for A Lease of two Acres of Land to the North Ward of his house was Read. Order'd that Alderman Thong & Mr Denne & Alderman smith be A Committee to View the Land desired by the Petitioner and to survey the same and Report upon what Terms it will be proper to Lease the same and for what Term of Years.

Order'd that the Town Clerk of this Corporation put up Placades desiring all persons that are Creditors to this Corporation to deliver in their Accts thereof to the Treasurer of this City on or before Thursday Next in the Morning in Order that proper measures be taken for the payment of the same

[134] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday the 29th day of Sr Michael the Arch Angell Anno Dom 1708.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
William smith
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
} ESqrs Aldermen

Paul Droilhet
Christopher Denne
Petrus Bayard
Johannes Vanzant
Jan Hendrickse Brevort
} Assistants

Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this City for the Electing this day one

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Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one petty Constable in the five Wards on the south Side the fresh water and one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors two Collectors two Petty Constables and four Overseers of the highways for the Out Ward of the Said City for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Said Ward to serve in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing According to the Usage Laws and Ordinances of the Said City and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof at twelve of the Clock at Noon to the Office of Town Clerk under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenor of the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Viz^{t})

South Ward	Walter Thong	Alderman
	Christopher Denne	Assistant
	Thomas Davenport, Benjamin Wyncoop	Assessors
	John Meyer	Collector
	ISaac De Riemer	Constable
Dock Ward	Richard Willett	Alderman
	Paul Droilhet	Assistant
	Samuell Bayard, John Cruger	Assessors
	John Cazal	Collector
	John Pelletreau	Constable
[135] West Ward	William Smith	Alderman
	Bartholemew Laroux	Assistant
	Jeremiah Callcutt, Peter Willemse Roome	Assessors
	Tobias Stoutenburgh	Collector
	Paulus Turk	Constable
North Ward	David Provoost	Alderman
	William Provoost	Assistant
	Anthony Rutgers, Gerrett Degraw	Assessors
	Ralph Thurman	Collector
	John Harris	Constable
East Ward	Robert Lurting	Alderman
	Abraham Keteltas	Assistant
	Andries Abramse, Cornelius Louw	Assessors
	James Bussey	Collector
	Anthony Young	Constable

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Out Ward	Edward Blagge	Alderman	
	Jan Hendrickse Brevort	Assistant	
	Hendrick Brevort	Assessor	for the Bowry Division
	Burger Myndertse	Collector	
	Teunis Cornelisse	Constable	
	Folkert Vanhuysen, Peter Van Wogelum	Surveyors of Highways	
	samson Bensing	Assessor	for Harlem Division
	Marcus Tiebout	Collector	
	Thomas Turneur	Constable	
	John Dyckman, Hendrick Van Oblinis	Surveyors of Highways	

His Excellency the Governour in Council has been pleased to Appoint the present Mayor and sheriff of this City of New York to be Mayor & sheriff for the year Ensueing

Resolved Nemine Contra dicente that Mr Robert Lurting the present Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City be and is hereby Elected and Appointed Chamberlain or Treasurer of this Corporation for the year Ensueing

Mr Mayor has been pleased to Nominate and Appoint William Barclay the present High Constable to be High Constable of this City for the year Ensueing

[136] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the 14th day of October Anno Dom 1708

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Robert Lurting
William Smith
Edward Blagge
Richard Willett
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
John Hendrickse Brevort
Paul Droilhet
Christopher Denne
William Provoost

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This day the Mayor being Attended by the Aldermen sheriff Assistants Assessors Collectors Constables and Other Officers of this Corporation According to the usual formality Marched from the City Hall to her Majestys Garrison Fort Anne where they waited upon his Excellency the Governour in Council where then were Administred unto Ebenezer Willson ESq^{r} Mayor of this City and unto William Anderson ESq^{r} sheriff of the same City & County of New York the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance & supremacy The Test and Oath of Abjuration and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices & thereupon his Excellency the Governour deliver'd unto them their Respective Commissions upon which the Mayor Attended as aforesaid went from thence to Trinity Church where the Reverend M^{r} William Vesey the Rector thereof read Divine service and preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion which done the Mayor Aldermen Sheriff Assistants and Other Officers attended as Aforesaid Returned to the City Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor and sheriff were published after which they all repaired to the Court Chamber where the Mayor Resumed the Chair who together with the Recorder Caused the Oaths Aforesaid Appointed by Act of Parliament Test and Abjuration Oath to be Administred unto David Provoost Alderman of the North Ward, Robert Lurting Alderman of the East Ward, William Smith Alderman of the West Ward Edward Blagge Alderman of the Out Ward Richard Willett Alderman of the Dock Ward and Walter [137] Thong Alderman of the south Ward and unto Abraham Keteltas Assistant of the East Ward John Hendrickse Brevoort Assistant of the Out Ward Paul Droilhet Assistant of the Dock Ward Christopher Denne Assistant of the south Ward and William Provoost Assistant of the North Ward and also the Oath for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Accordingly they tooke their places.

Bartholemew Laroux Assistant of the West Ward Could not attend by reason of sickness

William Barclay high Constable of this City Anthony Young Constable of the East Ward Paulus Turk Constable of the West Ward John Harris Constable of the North Ward John Pelletreau Constable of the Dock Ward and Teunis Cornelisse Constable of the Bowry Division of the Out Ward were Sworn to the due Execution of their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing.

Isaac De Riemer Elected Constable of the South Ward was absent

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue A Warrant to the Alderman of the

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Out Ward of this City for the Election of A Constable for Harlem Division in the Room of Mr Thomas Turneur (who is Exempted from serving in that Office, having served in the Office of Alderman of the said Ward[)], and that the Mayor in the said Warrant Appoint the time and place.

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vesey or Order the sum of five pounds Currt Money of New York it being for Reading divine service and preaching this day before this Corporation being the Anniversary day of Swearing the Mayor Aldermen sheriff and Other publick Officers of this City

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 2d day of November Anno Dom 1708

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
John Tuder ESqr Recorder

David Provoost
Robert Lurting
Richard Willett
Walter Thong
} ESqrs Aldermen

[138]
Paul Droilhet
Abraham Keteltas
Christopher Denne
William Provoost
} Assistants

Order'd the Law of this City Entituled A Law Imposing A fine upon such of the Out Ward as refuse to mend the Highways be Repealed and it is hereby Abbrogated & Repealed accordingly

Order'd that the Inhabitants of the South Ward have Liberty to pull down the Boards about the Markett house by the Custom house bridge and that Alderman Thong dispose of the Same for the benefit of this Corporation

Warrt Issued for 10H

William Richardson Edward Davis Daniell Jones and Richard Davis have this day Agreed with this Court to be the Bellmen of this City from the fifth day of this Instant November Inclusive to the first day of April Next Exclusive for the sum of thirty Six pounds Currant Money of this Province & that the Mayor Issue his warrant for ten pounds thereof to be forthwith paid

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Warr^{t} Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of thirteen pounds Currant Money of New York it being for half A years Sallary due as Town Clerk Ending the fourteenth of October last for Pen Ink and Paper for one year ending the same time and for drawing three Acts of Gen^{ll} Assembly to Enable this Corporation to raise Money &c: as Appears by his Acc^{t} which is allowed

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes or Order the sum of thirteen pounds Eight Shilings and Nine pence Currant Money of New York it being for one years Sallary due and Ending the fourteenth of October last, for furnishing Candles to the Constables Watch from the first day of April last past to this day and for four Journeys to Harlem as Appears by his Acct. which is allowed.

Warr^{t} Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Paulus Turk and Peter Jacopse or Order the sum of five pounds and ten pence half penny Currant Money of New York it being for Paving Stones Labourers and Materialls and paving A part of the Street fronting the City Hall of this City as Appears by their Acct. which is Allowed.

THE FOLLOWING Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained and Established and [139] after the Ringing of three Bells publickly read at the City Hall and ORDER'D to be Remain and Continue in full force and Vertue for three Months from the date hereof (Viz^{t})

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick houses without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of bread to be Established Every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acc^{t} of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices

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Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock & Slips
Law against firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed near the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon such as refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys of the said City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
Swine Prohibited to run at large
Law agt digging holes in the Commons or digging Sodds
Law Preventing frauds in firewood.
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of Such publick Elective Magistrates &c:
Law Imposing A fine upon Elective Officers refusing to Serve.
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes & Alleys within the City of New York
Law Prohibiting Swine to run at large in the Bowry Division

At A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday ye: 23d of Decbr Anno Domi 1708.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Paul Droilhet
Bartholemew Laroux
Christopher Denne
John Hendrickse Brevort
William Provoost

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[140] The Recorders Commission was read & ORDER'D to be Entred in the Common Council Booke of this Corporation. which is in these words following (Viz^{t})

ANNE by the Grace of God of Great Brittain France and Ireland Queen Defendor of the faith &c: To our Trusty and well beloved May Bickley ESq^{r} Greeting. Wee Reposing Especial Trust and Confidence in your Loyalty Prudence Integrity and Ability HAVE given and Granted and by these presents do give and Grant unto you the Said May Bickley the Office of Recorder of our City of New York in America TO HAVE AND TO HOLD Exercise and Enjoy the Said Office of Recorder of our Said City of New York unto you the Said May Bickley for and during our pleasure together with all and singular such and the like fees Perquisites Powers Preheminences Proffitts & Advantages as John Tuder ESq^{r} deced late Recorder of our Said City of New York or any Other Recorder of our Said City have or might have taken Received or Enjoyed for or in Respect of the Execution of the Said office of Recorder IN TESTIMONY whereof wee have Caused the Great Seal of our Said Province of New York to be hereunto affixed WITTNESS our Right Trusty and well beloved Cousin Edward Viscount Cornbury Capt. General and Governour in Chief in and over our Said Province of New York and Territories thereon depending in America and Vice Admiral of the same at our Fort att New York Aforesaid the tenth day of November in the Seaventh year of our Reign Annoq Dom̄ 1708.

The following Address was three times read and Approved and this day presented to his Excellency my Lord Lovelace &c: Gov^{r} of this Province

To His Excellency John Lord Lovelace Baron of Hurley her Majestys Cap^{t} General and Governour in Chief in and Over the Provinces of New York & New Jersey and all the Territories depending thereon in America and Vice Admiral of the same &c:

The Humble Address of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of her Majestys most Ancient City & Corporation of New York in America

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY

WEE Cannot Sufficiently Express our most Dutifull and Gratefull Acknowledgments to her most Sacred Majesty (the best of Queens)

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for the great Honour done us in Appointing [141] Your Lordship Capt General and Governour in Chief of this Province & Wee heartily Congratulate your Lordships Safe Arrival to this City (the Metropolis of your Government) the Noble birth and those Nobler Qualifications of Vertue Piety Justice and Integrity which your Lordship Enjoys Attended with the most benign and affable disposition of mind assuring us of the greatest hapiness under your Administration

WEE are truely sensible of the Repeated Royal favours of our most gracious soveraign to this Province and particularly at this time of Need and danger in sending by your Excellency two Ships of Warr and Such large Supplys of Soldiers and Stores for its Support and defence and wee take this Opportunity to Assure your Lordship that our hearts and Affections our Lives and fortunes are Entirely devoted to her Majestys Service and that wee will allways to the utmost of our Power Support and Maintain her Royal Title and Interest against all her Enemies and Popish Pretenders and as A demonstration of our duty & Gratitude Ever pursue the best Methods wee Can Conceive to render your Excellencys Government over us most Easy Pleasant & happy.

WEE Embrace this Opportunity to Recommend to your Excellencys favour Mr William Sharpas as our Present Town Clerk as A Person of Ability sobriety and Integrity having Executed that Office upwards of Sixteen Years with all faithfullness Diligence and Reputation

That her Majestys most Auspitious Reign be Continued & Attended with all Divine blessings and your Lordship Enjoy A long and happy Government over us are the unfeigned prayers of

May it Please your Excellency
Your Lordships Most Dutifull & most
Obedient Servants

Ebenezer Willson
M Bickley
David Provoost
Will Smith
Robt Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Jan Hendrickse Brevoort
Paul Droilhet
Christopher Denne
William Provoost

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[142] City of New York } SS At A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the first day of February Anno Dom 1708[-9].

Present Ebenezer Willson ESq[r] Mayor
May Bickley ESq[r] Recorder
David Provoost
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Walter Thong } ESq[rs] Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Jan Hendrickse Brevoort
Paul Droilhiet
William Provoost } Assistants.

Order'd that the sum of two pounds thirteen Shilings and Eleaven pence half penny disburst by James Harding the Lessee of the ferry for Repairing the ferry house &c: (which Should have been done by Dirck Benson) be allowed him and that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the Same. And that upon Dirck Bensons paying the like Sum to the Treasurer of this City that his Bond for performance of Covenants be delivered up to be Cancelled

Warr[t] Issued

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Harding the Lessee of the Ferry the sum of one pound five shilings Currant Money of New York it being for building an Oven & Making A Gallery upon the top of the house he now dwells in at the ferry.

Warr[t] Issued

Orderd A Warrant Issue from the Mayor to the Treasurer to pay to James Harding the Lessee of the ferry or Order the sum of thirty pounds Currant Money of New York it being for Repairing the little ferry house of this Corporation on Nassaw Island Pursuant to an Order of Common Council made the third day of March last past.

Warrant Issued

Order'd that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to M[r] Michael Hawden or Order the sum of four pounds one shiling and Nine pence it being for Strong Liquors delivered to several soldiers on their Arrival here from England by Order of this Corporation in the year 1700

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ORDER'D that Mr Recorder Prosecute at Law Mr Johannes Outman for the Money he owes to this Corporation.

ORDER'D that this Corporation present his Excellency my Lord Lovelace with the Freedom of this City & that the seal be Inclosed in A Box of Gold & that Mr Mayor procure the same at the Charge of this Corporation.

[143] ORDER'D that this Corporation Compliment Roger Mompesson ESqr Chief Justice of this Province Mr Harrison Mr Cockerill and Coll Redknap with the Freedom of this City. & also Mr Thomas Wood

ORDERD that John Bresteade Cooper be Admitted one of the Publick Guagers Packers and Cullers of this Corporation & that Mr Mayor Grant him A License for the same upon the Usual Terms.

THE following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained & Established and ORDER'D to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from the date hereof. (Vizt)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep Publick houses without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent Fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established Every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acct of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and Slips
Law agt firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed near the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon Such as refuse to watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys of this City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common Sewer
Swine Prohibited to run at large
Law agt Digging holes in the Commons or digging Sodds
Law preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of Publick Elective Magistrates

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Law Imposing A fine upon Elective Officers refusing to Serve
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting the Sweeping of Streets in the time of Rain
Guagers Packers & Cullers

Law for Paving the Streets Lanes & Alleys within the City of New York

Law Prohibiting Swine to run at Large in the Bowry Division

[144] Alderman Thong Reports to this Court that he sold the Boards of the Markett house by the great Bridge for one pound three shilings and six pence whereof he Expended for thirty four Load of Sand & for A Labourer for mending the Street near the Custom house Eighteen Shilings & one penny half penny soe that there Remains in his hands five Shilings and four pence half penny of the Moneys of this Corporation. ORDER'D he pay the same to the Treasurer.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday y^{e}: 23^{d} day of february Anno Dom 1708[-9]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESq^{r} Mayor
May Bickley ESq^{r} Recorder
David Provoost
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
} ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Christopher Denne
William Provoost
} Assistants

ORDER'D that the Petition and Acc^{t} of Cap^{t} ISaac D: Riemer be Refer'd to A full Committee of this Court.

RESOLVED that the Members of this Court will meet as A Committee to Examine the said Petition and Acct. on fryday the fourth day of March Next Ensueing at the City Hall of this City at Eight a Clock in the Morning & that the Treasurer attend with books and papers.

ORDER'D that M^{r} Mayor Alderman Provoost Alderman Lurting & Alderman Thong or any three of them be A Committee to View the Barn & Landing Bridge at the ferry and Report to this Court what will be the Charge of Repairing the Said Barn & Lengthning the Said landing Bridge

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ORDER'D that Alderman Lurting Alderman Smith and Mr Denne be A Committee to View the great Bridge by the Custom house and Report to the Next Common Council what Repairs and Amendments are wanting thereto.

[145] ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the first day of March Anno Dom 1708[-9]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Robert Lurting
William Smith } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Christopher Denne
*David Provoost } Assistants

This day this Court waited upon his Excellency my Lord Lovelace who was pleased to become A Member of this Corporation by Accepting of the Freedom thereof (which this Court presented to his Lordship the Seal being inclosed in A gold box) after which Mr Recorder made A handsom Speech to his Excellency Suitable to the Occasion Assuring him of the Loyalty and affection of this Corporation &c: wch his Lordship Received with great Satisfaction.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on fryday ye: 4th day of March 1708[-9]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Robert Lurting
William smith
Walter Thong
Edward Blagge } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Jan Hendrickse Brevoort
Paul Droilhiet
Christopher Denne
William Provoost } Assistants

*NOTE: David should read William.

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The Committee of this Court Consisting of A full Common Council being the Persons above Named for Examining the Acct and Petition of Capt ISaac D: Riemer doe Report that they have heard and Examined each particular Article in the said Acct and have heard and seen what proofs and Vouchers Mr D: Riemer Could Produce and are of Opinion that the following Charge or [146] Articles Mentioned in the Said Acct ought not to be allowed for want of Vouchers (Vizt)

	li	s	d
for Mending the Prison	15	03	00
An Overpayment to be made William Aertse	02	01	10
Paid on Acct of Peter Willemse Rome	54	01	00
Paid to Johannes Provoost Deceased	08	15	06
A Charge of Service as Representative in Assembly	26	10	00

Warrant Issued for 76 — 9 — 11

And that the following Articles Mentioned in the said Acct Ought to be allowed him being of Opinion the same was disburst and paid by the said ISaac De Riemer for the use of this Corporation (Vizt)

Cash paid to David Provoost	c 1	13	00
The Charge mending the publick Wells	0 1	13	00
The Interest paid to John Peroa	19	00	00
To paid Johannes Depeysters Acct	53	03	11

which in the whole Amounts unto Seaventy Six pounds Nine shilings and Eleaven pence Currant Money of New York. which Report is Approved by this Court and Order'd that the Mayor Issue his Warrt to the Treasurer for the payment of the said sum of Seaventy six pounds Nine Shilings to the Said ISaac D: Riemer in full of all Acctˢ whatsoever due to him from this Corporation.

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 12th day of March Anno Dom 1708[-9]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
David Provoost
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Paul Droilhiet
John Hendrickse Brevoort
William Provoost
Christopher Denne

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ORDER'D that Capt William Bond be made A Freeman of this Corporation who was this day in this Court Sworn Accordingly.

The Petition of some of the Inhabitants of the Dock Ward was read Complaining of Leonard Huygen De Kleyn of his incroaching upon the Street fronting the River near Burgers path and building upon the said Street to their great prejudice &c: Whereupon it is ORDER'D that the surveyors of this City do lay out all the Lotts fronting to the East River from the Corner of Martin Clocks house at Burgers path to the Corner of Capt Theobalds house upon the wharfe at the Wall Street Slip upon A Straight Line as Near as possible that A Regular Order and uniformity may be Kept & Observed in the buildings of the said Street and that they suffer no [147] further Incroachments to be made upon the Said Street. That the said Street be by them laid out thirty foot wide According to the Tenor of the Respective Grants to front thereunto and that they Report to the Next Common Council what Incroachments and by whom are made upon the Said Street in Order that Care be taken to Remove the same as the Law directs

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday ye first day of April Anno Dom 1709.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
} ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Paul Droilhiet
Christopher Denne
William Provoost
} Assistants.

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue A Warrant to the Assistant of the Dock Ward for the Electing A Constable in the Said Ward in the Room of John Pelletreau deceased on Tuesday Next and that the Mayor Swear the same Accordingly.

ORDER'D that the Surveyors of this City lay out the Street fronting the East River from the Corner of the New foundation of Leonard Huygen de Kleyn to the Corner of Capt Theobalds house fronting the said Street in Manner following (Vizt) to begin at the Westermost

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end of the Said Street by Leonard Huygens foundation allowing the said Street or wharfe as it now is to be thirty foot wide and to run from thence upon A Straight line to Capt. Theobalds Corner house aforesaid and all Persons Concern'd are to Regulate their buildings Accordingly as they Shall be directed by the Said Surveyors.

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds Eighteen shilings Curr^{t} Money of New York it being for half A years sallary due the fourteenth Instant as Town Clerk and Money by him *by him* disburst for Parchment Silk Laces and Engrossing of several Freedoms presented by this Corporation to his Excellency my Lord Lovelace & Others as Appears by his Acc^{t} which is allowed.

Warrant Issued

[148] ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Ben: Barnes or Order the sum of five pounds twelve shilings Currant Money of New York itt being for half A years sallary as Marshall of this City due and Ending the 14th Instant and for three Journeys to Harlem as Appears by his Acc^{t} which is allowed

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Richardson Edward Davis Daniell Jones & Richard Davis or Order the sum of twenty six pounds Currant Money of New York which with ten pounds they have Already received is in full of their sallary as Bellmen of this City due this day.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 31th day of May Anno Dom 1709.

Present Ebenezer Willson Esq^{r} Mayor
May Bickley ESq^{r} Recorder
William smith
Robert Lurting } ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Richard Willett
Bartholemew Laroux
Abraham Keteltas
Paul Drilhiet } Assistants
Christopher Denne

The following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were three times read and Agreed to and Accordingly were this day

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made Ordained Established and published and ORDER'D to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof. (Viz^{t})

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick houses without Lycence
surveyors of the City
To prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of bread to be Established Every three Months &c:
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acc^{t} of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Docks & Slips
Law against firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law ag^{t} Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be landed near the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon Such as refuse to watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys of this City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
Swine Prohibited to run at large
[149] Law ag^{t} digging holes in the Commons or digging Sodds
Law for Preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates &c:
Law Imposing A fine upon Elective Officers refusing to serve
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws.
Law prohibiting the Sweeping of Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within the City of New York
Law Prohibiting Swine to run at large in the Bowry Division

WHEREAS this Court are informed that M^{r} John Vanhorne and M^{r} Evert Duyckinck of this City have lessened Contracted Narrowed & incroached upon A Certain publick Street and highway of this City Called the wharfe Street and thereon have built and Erected several large houses and buildings to the great Inconveniency and Nusance of

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the Inhabitants of this City Notwithstanding their being often Forewarned from doing the same it is therefore ORDER'D that Mr Recorder as Council for this Corporation do take such proper Methods as he shall Judge meet to prosecute the said Persons at Law by Indictment or Otherwise for the Removing the said Nusance at the Next supream Court of this Province or att any Other Court &c:

Warrt Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Jacob Cousine scavenger of this City the sum of twelve pounds Currant Money of New York in full of his Sallary due and Ending the second day of June next.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on fryday ye: 22d day of June Anno Dom 1709

Present Ebenezer Willson Esqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

William smith
Robert Lurting
Richard Willett
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
} ESqrs Aldermen

Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevort
Paul Droilhiet
Christopher Denne
} Assistants

An Act of General Assembly of this Colony Entituled an Act to Enable the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York to Raise the sum of six hundred pounds in two years for the uses therein Mentioned was read and thereupon itt is Resolved by this Court (ten of the Members whereof Consenting and Agreeing thereunto) that the sum of Six hundred pounds Currant Money of this Colony be raised by A Tax upon the freeholders and Inhabitants of the said City and County Pursuant to the Directions of the said Act, that is to say three hundred pounds thereof to be Assessed Collected and paid on or before the first day of September Next Ensueing the date hereof and Other three [150] *three* hundred pounds the Other part thereof to be Assessed Collected and paid on or before the first

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day of September 1710 and ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Assessors for the Assessing three hundred pounds thereof on or before the first day of August Next Ensueing the date hereof and that upon the Return of their Assessments he also Issue his Warrants to the Collectors of this City and County for the Collecting and paying of the same into the hands of the Treasurer of this City Pursuant to the directions of the said Act.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the West Ward to Cause summons the Inhabitants of the said Ward on Munday Next in the forenoon to Choose A sufficient Inhabitant of the said Ward to Serve in the Office of one of the Assessors thereof in the Room of Peter Willemse Roome untill the 14th of October Next.

The Petition of John Michael schut and Catherine Provoost was read praying leave to take up the Pavement of part of the Street Called the Heergraft or broad Street and at their own Cost and Charges to lay some wooden pipes therein in Order to drain their Cellars the prayer of which Petition is granted, the Petitioners paving the said Street again at their own Charge and it is hereby ORDER'D that None of the Neighbourhood do Presume to break up any of the said Street to place or Joyn any Other Pipes into the Aforesaid pipes without the leave and lycense of this Court, they first agreeing with the Petitioners to pay a proportionable part of the Charge thereof.

ORDER'D Mr Keteltas have leave to break up the said Street and lay pipes into those laid or to be laid by Mr schut and Catherine Provoost he first agreeing with them for his proportionable part of the Charge thereof

ORDER'D that Alderman Willett and Alderman Thong Agree with some person or persons to be scavenger for a year for the Carrying away the soyle and dirt out of the broad Street from the Corner of the Dutch Church Street to the little bridge by the Dock upon reasonable Terms

By the Consent of Mr Christopher Denne the Lessee of the Dock of this City it is Resolved that the great Bridge by the Custom house be forthwith New built and Carryed over the Dock to the wharfe and ORDER'D that Alderman Willett Alderman Thong Mr Denne & Mr Droilhiet be a Committee to View the same and Report to this Court what Method and after what manner will be most proper to build and Compleat the same for the publick benefitt of this Corporation

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ORDER'D that Mr Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes or Order the sum of three pounds Eleaven Shilings Currant Money of New York it being for one quarter of A years sallary due and Ending the fourteenth Instant for Candells for the Watch from the first of April 1709 to the first Instant and for two Journeys to Harlem as appears by his Acct which is allowed.

Warrt Issued

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 20th day of August Anno Dom 1709

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Birkley ESqr Recorder
David Provoost
Robert Lurting
William smith
Walter Thong } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Christopher Denne
William Provoost } Assistants

The Committee Appointed the last Common Council to View the Great Bridge &c: Report in these words following (Vizt) Pursuant to the within Order wee have Viewed the great Bridge and do find that to fill up between the old frame with good Stockadoes & Continue it direct over to the Other wharfe with the same with substantial plates and Cross pieces and to board it between the Stockadoes and Whitehall to prevent the Dirt getting through filling up a lay of Mudd between which is humbly submitted by

Richd Willett
Walter Thong
Christo: Denne

Which Report was read and Approved and ORDER'D that Alderman Willett Alderman Thong Mr Denne Mr William Provoost or any three of them be A Committee to Agree with workmen and for Materialls for the Speedy finishing of the Said Bridge Pursuant to the Said Report. and it is further ORDER'D that under the little Bridge by the Dock be filled up and yt the Common Sewer be Continued under the same to the Entring of the Dock, that the place where the little Bridge now Stands be Covered with boards after the Manner it now is A

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little higher then the Street and that the Aforesaid Committee imploy workmen to perform the same.

Warr^t Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas Town Clerk of this City or Order the sum of Nine pounds Currant Money of New York it being for Recording Six setts of Tax Roles of this City and County from the 3^d of December 1706 Inclusive to this present day which was allowed in the last Court of Gen^ll Quarter sessions of the peace as A County Charge.

ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost and Alderman Lurting be A Committee to Audit the Acc^ts of the Widdow Tothill and the Widdow Cooper and Make Report to the Next Common Council.

[152] ORDER'D that M^r Recorder and M^r Treasurer demand of the Widdow of Phillip French ESq^r deceased late Mayor of this City the Acc^ts during her late husbands Mayorality Relating to this Corporation and y^t upon her refusal to render the same that M^r Recorder do prosecute her at Law.

ORDER'D that the Posts that are sett in several Streets of this City be forthwith pulled up and Removed by the Person Inhabiting the houses unto which they front upon Notice given them upon penalty of Six Shilings for Every offence, half to the City and halfe to the Informer.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 6^th day of Sep^br Anno Dom 1709.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESq^r Mayor
May Bickley ESq^r Recorder

ESq^rs Aldermen:
- David Provoost
- William Smith
- Robert Lurting
- Richard Willett
- Walter Thong

Assistants:
- Bartholemew Laroux
- Abraham Keteltas
- John Brevoort
- Paul Droilhiet
- William Provoost

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Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to James Harding the Lessee of the ferry or Order the sum of twenty pounds five shillings and Nine pence Currant Money of New York it being disburstments by him made for the Repair of the Barn of the ferry as Appears by his Acc^{t} & Vouchers w^{ch} are allowed.

The Petition of some of the Inhabitants of the broad street ag^{t} Covering the little Bridge was read and rejected.

The Petition of M^{r} ISaac D: Riemer was read. ORDERD that the Judgment he has Obtained Ag^{t} this Corporation be satisfyed out of the first Money that is Collected of the second payment of the six hundred pound Tax.

ORDER'D that Alderman Provoost Alderman Smith Alderman Lurting and M^{r} Provoost or any three of them be a Committee to Agree with [153] workmen for the Removing the Goal Purchasing Materialls Repairing the City Hall and making the Cupulo tite.

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the Out Ward for the Electing A Collector in the said Ward on fryday next in the forenoon in the Room of Burger Mynderse who is Removed out of this City.

ORDER'D that the Inhabitants of the South and Dock Wards have Liberty to put A Covering or Roof over the little Bridge by the Dock at their own Charge.

The following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day three times read and Agreed to and Accordingly were this day made Ordained Established and published and ORDER'D to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof. (Viz^{t})

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick houses without Lycence
Surveyors of the City
to Prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established Every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acc^{t} of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons

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Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Docks & Slips
Law ag^{t} firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law ag^{t} Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed near the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon Such as refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes & Alleys of this City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
Swine Prohibited to run at large
Law against digging holes in the Commons or digging Sodds.
Law for Preventing frauds in firewood.
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Election Magistrates &c:
Law imposing A fine upon Elective officers refusing to Serve.
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observant in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting the Sweeping of Streets in the time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within the City of New York
Law Prohibiting Swine to run at large in the Bowry Division
Law for Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday ye: 29th day of September Anno Dom 1709

Present Ebenezer Willson ESq^{r} Mayor
May Bickley ESq^{r} Recorder
David Provoost
William Smith
Richard Willett } ESq^{rs} Aldermen.
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
Abraham Keteltas
Paul Droilhiet
Barth: Laroux } Assistants
William Provoost

PURSUANT to the Warrant of the Mayor Issued to the Alderman of each Respective Ward within this City for the Electing this day one

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Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one petty Constable in the five Wards on the southside of the fresh water and one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors two Collectors two Petty Constables and four Overseers of the highways for the Out Ward of the said City for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the said Ward to serve in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing According to the usage Custom Laws and Ordinances of the said City and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof at twelve of the Clock at Noon to the Office of Town Clerk under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenor of the aforesaid Warrants as followeth. (Viz^{t})

East Ward	Robert Lurting	Alderman
	Abraham Keteltas	Assistant
	Abraham Wendall, Henry Coerteen	Assessors
	Peter De Milt	Collector
	John Maclenan	Constable
West Ward.	William Smith	Alderman
	Bartholemew Laroux	Assistant
	Jacob Goelet, Hermanus Vangelder	Assessors
	Cornelius Lodge	Collector
	John Smith	Constable
[155] North Ward.	Jacobus Kip	Alderman
	William Provoost	Assistant
	Jacob Boelen, Johannes Kerfbyle	Assessors
	Stephen Buckenhoven	Collector
	Jacob Swan	Constable
south Ward	Walter Thong	Alderman
	Cornelius D: Peyster	Assistant
	Benjamin Wyncoope, Thomas Roberts Sen^{r}	Assessors
	John Meyer	Collector
	Obadiah Hunt	Constable
Dock Ward	Samuell Bayard	Alderman
	Johannes Tiebout	Assistant
	John Cruger, Johannes Outman	Assessors
	Nicholas Vanderspiegel	Collector
	Andrew Hardenbrooke	Constable

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Out Ward	Edward Blagge	Alderman	
	John Brevort	Assistant	
	Peter Wegelum	Assessor	for the Bowry Division
	Folkert Van Huysen	Collector	
	Marinus Roeliffs	Constable	
	Jacob Cornelisse	surveyors of Highways	
	Jacob Cowenhoven		
	Peter Oblinis	Assessor	for Harlem Division
	Thomas Turneur	Collector	
	Barent Nagel	Constable	
	Johannes Waldron	Surveyors of Highways	
	Johannes Meyer		

His Honour the Lieut. Governour hath this day by and with the Advice of her Majestys Council of this Province Nominated Ebenezer Willson ESqr the Present Mayor to be Mayor of this City for the year Next Ensueing, and also William Anderson ESqr the Present sheriff to be sheriff of the City & County of New York for the year Next Ensueing.

Robert Lurting ESqr the Present Treasurer of this City is by this Court Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer of this Corporation for the year Ensueing.

[156] The Mayor hath Appointed Mr John Smith high Constable of this City for the year Ensueing.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the West Ward for the Electing of Another Person to serve as Constable of that Ward for the year Ensueing in the Room of Mr John smith who is Appointed high Constable and that the Election be made on Thursday next.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 4th day of October Anno Dom 1709

Present	Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor	
	May Bickley ESqr Recorder	
	William Smith	ESqrs Aldermen
	Robert Lurting	
	Richard Willett	
	Walter Thong	
	Abraham Keteltas	Assistants
	Bartholemew Laroux	
	Paul Droilhiet	

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Warrant Issued

ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Walter Thong or Order the sum of fourty pounds one Shiling Current Money of New York out of the first payment of the Six hundred pound Tax it being Money by him disburst for Making the little bridge & Common sewer by the Dock as appears by his Acct and Vouchers which are allowed

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to Mr Gabriel Ludlow Clerk of the Genll Assembly of this Colony or Order the sum of two pounds twelve Shilings and Six pence Currant Money of New York it being for Sundry fees due to him in Passing the Six hundred pound Bill and Other fees upon Other Occasions as Appears by his Acct wch is allowed

ORDER'D that Alderman Lurting Alderman Willett and Mr Keteltas or Any two of them be A Committee to Examine and State the Accts between this Corporation and Capt ISaac D: Riemer upon all matters whatsoever and Report what is due to the said ISaac D: Riemer to the Next Common Council.

[157] The Petition of several of the Inhabitants of the East Ward was read praying leave to Erect A Markett house at the south end of Clarkes Slip at the end of the Wall Street so soon as their Conveniency Shall permitt; ORDER'D that they have Liberty to Erect the same at their own Charge provided it be finished within two years from the date hereof.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on fryday the 14th day of October Anno Dom 1709

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
Robert Lurting
Richard Willett
Walter Thong

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Paul Droilhiet
William Provoost
John Brevort

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This day the Mayor being attended by the Aldermen Sheriff Assistants Collectors Constables and Other Officers of this Corporation According to the Usual formality Marched from the City Hall and waited upon the Honble Coll Richard Ingoldesby the Lieut. Govr of this Province in Council where then were Administred unto Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor of this City and unto William Anderson ESqr Sheriff of the City and County of New York the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance and Supremacy the Test and Abjuration Oath and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and thereupon the Lieut. Governour deliver'd unto them their Respective Commissions whereupon the Mayor as Aforesaid waited upon the Lieut. Governour and Council to Trinity Church where the Reverend Mr William Vesey the Rector thereof read Divine service and preached A sermon suitable to the Occasion which done the Mayor Aldermen Sheriff Assistants and Other Officers Returned to the City Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor and sheriff were published after which they all Repaired to the Court Chamber where the Mayor Resumed the Chair who together with the [158] Recorder Caused the Oaths Aforesaid Appointed by Act of Parliament Test and Abjuration Oath to be Administred unto Robert Lurting Alderman of the East Ward Walter Thong Alderman of the south Ward and Jacobus Kip Alderman of the North Ward and also unto Abraham *Abraham* Keteltas Assistant of the East Ward Bartholemew Laroux Assistant of the West Ward Cornelius D: Peyster Assistant of the south Ward William Provoost Assistant of the North Ward John Brevoort Assistant of the Out Ward and Johannes Tiebout Assistant of the Dock Ward and also the Oath for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Accordingly they tooke their places.

William Smith Alderman of the West Ward & Edward Blagge Alderman of the Out Ward were Absent.

Samuell Bayard Elected Alderman of the Dock Ward refused to serve

Robert Lurting ESqr was Sworn Treasurer of this Corporation for the year Ensueing

John Smith high Constable John Maclenan Constable of the East Ward Francis Boys Constable of the West Ward Jacob Swan Constable of the North Ward Obadiah Hunt Constable of the South Ward

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Andrew Hardenbrooke Constable of the Dock Ward Marinus Roeliffse. Constable of the Bowry and Barent Nagel Constable of Harlem were Sworn to the due Execution of their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing.

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 15th day of Novbr Anno Dom 1709

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

William Smith	ESqrs Aldermen
Robert Lurting	
Walter Thong	
Jacobus Kip	
Samuell Bayard	
Abraham Keteltas	Assistants.
Bartholemew Laroux	
Cornelius D: Peyster	
William Provoost	
Johannes Tiebout	

The Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oath of Alleigance and Supremacy the Test and Abjuration Oath were this day Administred unto William Smith ESqr Alderm of the West Ward and samuell Bayard ESqr Alderman of the [159] Dock Ward and also the Oaths for the due Execution of their Respective Offices and Accordingly they tooke their places.

The Petition of Mrs Tothill and Mrs Cooper Widdows was read: Order'd that Alderman Lurting Alderman Thong and Mr D: Peyster be A Committee to Audit their Accts and make Report to the Next Common Council.

The Committee for Auditing and Stating the Accts between this Corporation and Mr ISaac D: Riemer Report in hæc Verba [(] Vizt) Pursuant to an Order of Common Council dated the fourth of October last to Examine and State the Acct between the City of New York and

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Mr ISaac D: Riemer wee have According Examined the same and find them as follows (Vizt)

City of New York Dr		℔ Contra Cr	
To A Judgemt Obtained agt the City in March 1705	125 : 13 : 5¼	By ISaac D: Riemers Bill	18 : 00 : 00
To A Warrant due from ye: City	75 : 00 : 00	By the Rent of the Old ferry house from ye: 25th of March 1701 to the 25th March 1704 at 20l ℔ Annum	60 : 00 : 00
To Cash paid James Emett A Judgmt on Acct of the Old ferry house	35 : 00 : 00		
	235 : 13 : 5¼		
	78 : 00 : 00		78 : 00 : 00
Ballance due to ISaac D: Riemer	157 : 13 : 5¼		

all which is Submitted by

Robt Lurting
Richd Willett
Abrah: Keteltas

and that there is due to Ballance to the said Isaac D: Riemer the sum of One hundred fifty seaven pounds thirteen shilings and five pence farthing it being in full of all Warrants Judgments and Accts whatsoever. which Report is Approved and

Warrt Issued

Order'd Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the said ISaac D: Riemer or his Order the said sum of one hundred and fifty seaven pounds thirteen shilings & five pence farthing out of the second payments of the Six hundred pound Tax. in full of all debts Judgments Warrants and Accts whatsoever due to him from this Corporation he first delivering up the Warrant he already has of seaventy five pounds & Acknowledging Satisfaction upon Record for the Judgment he has Obtained in the Supream Court agt this Corporation and giving A General Release

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ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vesey or Order the sum of five pounds for preaching to this Corporation the fourteenth of October being the Anniversary day of Swearing the Mayor & Magistrate[s] of this Corporation

Warrt Issued for 10 Dollars

[160] The Committee for Agreeing with A Scavenger Report that they have Agreed with William Dobbs to be Scavenger of the broad Street for one year Commencing the first of August last for the Sallary of fourty Dollars ℔ Annum which Report is Approved and ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrants to the Treasurer for the payment of the Same by quarterly payments as it becomes due.

ORDER'D that Mr Mayor Agree with four able Inhabitants of this City to be the Bellmen of the same to the first of April Next on Reasonable Terms and make Report to the Next Common Council.

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday ye: 22d day of Novbr Anno Dom 1709.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

William Smith	ESqrs Aldermen
Walter Thong	
Jacobus Kip	
samuell Bayard	
Abraham Keteltas	Assistants
Bartholemew Laroux	
Cornelius D: Peyster	
Johannes Tiebout	

Warrt Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes or Order the sum of two pounds Nineteen Shilings Currant Money of New York it being for one Quarter of A years Sallary due unto him as Marshall of this City due and Ending the fourteenth of October last and for three Journeys to Harlem as Appears by his Acct which is allowed.

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Warr! Issued for 10li

The Mayor Reports that Pursuant to an Order of the last Common Council he has Agreed with William Richardson Richard Davis John Cure and John Holmes four able Inhabitants of this City to be the Bellmen of the same from this day to the seaventeenth day of April Next for the sum of thirty Six pounds Currant Money of this Province, ten pounds thereof to be paid forthwith to Enable them to purchase fire and Candle for the better Execution of their Office which Report is Approved and ORDERD the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Said Bellmen the said sum of ten pounds on Acct of their said sallary

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 29th day of Novbr Anno Dom̄ 1709

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
- William Smith
- Robert Lurting
- Edward Blagge
- Walter Thong
- Samuell Bayard

Assistants:
- Bartholemew Laroux
- John Brevoort
- William Provoost
- Johannes Tiebout

Edward Blagge ESqr Alderman of the Out Ward had this day Administred unto him the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliam! to be taken instead of the Oaths of Alleigance & Supremacy the Test and Abjuration Oath and the Oath of an Alderman and Accordingly took his place.

ORDER'D that Alderman smith Alderman Thong Alderm̄ Bayard and Mr D: Peyster or any three of them be A Committe[e] to discourse the Lessees of the Dock *above* [about] the Non performance of their Covenants in not Cleaning of the Dock &c: to know their Reasons for their Neglect thereof and to make Report thereof to the next

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Common Council. and that the Treasurer Attend them to demand the Arrears of Rent due for the same Dock.

ORDER'D that Alderman smith Alderman Thong Alderman Bayard Mr D: Peyster Mr Provoost and Mr Tiebout or any four of them be A Committee to Audit the Books & Accts of the Treasurer of this City and to Settle and Adjust the Books & Accts of this Corporation and make Report Assoon as possible of their Actings therein and that the Treasurer Attend them with Books and Papers.

[162] ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 6th day of December Anno Dom 1709

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen.
- William Smith
- Robert Lurting
- Edward Blagge
- Walter Thong
- Jacobus Kip
- Samuell Bayard

Assistants
- Abraham Keteltas
- Bartholemew Laroux
- Cornelius D: Peyster
- John Brevort
- Johannes Tiebout

THE following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established and published & ORDER'D to be continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof. (Vizt)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick houses without Lycense.
Surveyors of the City
to Prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established every three Months

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Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Account of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and Slips
Law agt Firing Guns in the Street &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed at the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A Fine upon Such as refuse to Watch.
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys of this City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen Not to drive over the Common Sewer.
Swine Prohibited to run at large
Law agt. digging holes on the Commons or Cutting Sodds
[163] Law for Preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates
Law Imposing A Fine upon Elective Officers refusing to serve:
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law prohibiting the Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within the City of N: York
Law Prohibiting Swine to run at large in the Bowry division
Law for Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City.

Warrt Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mr ISaac D: Riemer or Order the sum of one pound Nine Shilings and Eleaven pence Currant Money of New York it being the Remaining part of A Warrant of 76—09—11 which by an Order of this Court made the fifteenth day of November last was Charged to the Credit of his Acct as only for 75li whereas he Should have had Credit for the Said 76—09—11 as appears by the Aforesaid Order and the Said Original Warrant.

ORDERD that Alderman Thong Alderman Bayard Mr D: Peyster Mr Provoost and Mr Tiebout or any three of them be A Committee to Agree with workmen and to purchase Materialls for the making and finishing the great Bridge near the Custom house Pursuant to an Order of this Court made the 20th day of Augt Last.

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on saturday ye: 31th day of December Anno Dom 1709

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Walter Thong
Edward Blagge
Jacobus Kipp
Samuell Bayard } ESqrs Aldermen.
Bartholemew Laroux
Abraham Keteltas
John Brevort
Johannes Tiebout
Cornelius D: Peyster
William Provoost } Assistants

[164] Order'd the Accts of John Tuder for thirteen pounds Six Shilings and one penny farthing; and the Acct of Henry Kemball for four pounds Nine Shilings and three pence be discharged out of the City Books the Persons being dead and Non solvent.

Order'd that the Accts of the Ferry house for two hundred fourty One pounds Eight Shilings and four pence half penny and the Acct of the City Hall for one thousand Six hundred and fourty Seaven pounds ten Shilings and one penny three farthings be Ballanced by the Acct of the City of New York.

Order'd that the Credit of John Ellisons Acct being Eleaven pounds Nineteen Shilings and the Credit of the Widdow of Stephanus V: Cortlandt being Eight Shilings and two pence three farthings the Credit of ISaac Van Vlecq being one pound ten Shilings the Credit of Abraham D: Peysters Acct being four pounds Eleaven Shilings and one penny the Credit of Dirck Vanderburghs Acct being three pounds two Shilings be Ballanced by the Acct of the City of New York they being paid by Warrants drawn upon the Treasurer A Considerable time since those Ballances

Order'd that the Accts of the Fortifications Amounting to Eight pounds Nine Shilings and five pence half penny and the Acct of James Nichols Petty Boys Amounting to twelve pounds two shilings and seaven pence half penny be Ballanced by the Acct of the City of New York

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ORDER'D That the Town Clerk do deliver to Alderman Bayard such Books Records Papers and Acct^s as he or the Committee for Auditing the City's Acct^s &c: Shall from time to time have Occasion for the better Stating the same.

ORDER'D that the Treasurer Demand of M^r Anderson late Treasurer of this City the yearly Acct of this City from October 1704 to October 1705 and deliver the same to the Committee for Auditing the Acct^s of this City.

ORDER'D that the Treasurer Demand of Coll Peartree late Mayor of this City the Bond from M^r Anderson late Treasurer of this City to this Corporation for the due performance of that Office.

Warrant Issued ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to pay to Alderman Walter Thong or Order the sum of one pound one shiling and [165] Nine pence Currant Money of New York being Money by him Disburst for A Constables Staff, to M^r Denne and for the Bridge as Appears by his Acct which is allowed.

Warrant Issued ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to zachariah syckells or Order (late Constable of Harlem) the sum of Eighteen shilings Currant Money of New York, being Money by him paid the Sheriff when he was Arrested by Thomas Turneur for the Executing his Office which Action this Corporation defended

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Thursday the Ninth day of february Anno Dom 1709[-10]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESq^r Mayor
May Bickley ESq^r Recorder

ESq^rs Aldermen:
William smith
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
Samuell Bayard

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
William Provoost
Johannes Tiebout

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Warr! Issued for 35li

The Committee Appointed for Making the Great Bridge do Report that they have Agreed with John Harris and ISaac Anderson for the Making of the same for the Consideration of seaventy pounds thirty five pounds whereof to be paid the fifteenth Instant and the Remainder assoon as the same Bridge is finished which is to be performed by the last day of July next as Appears by an Agreement under their hands and seals lodged in the hands of the Treasurer which Report is Approved and ORDERED Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrants for the payment of the same Accordingly out of the Six hundred pound Tax.

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas Town Clerk of this City or Order the sum of sixteen pounds four Shilings Current Money of New York [166] it being for three Quarters of A years Sallary due and Ending the fourteenth of January last and for pen Ink and paper from the fourteenth of October 1708 to the 14th of October 1709 as Appears by his Acct which is allowed.

Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to George Clarke ESqr secretary of this Province or Order the sum of four pounds Sixteen shilings Current Money of New York it being in full of his fees for two Commissions of the peace to the Justices of this City and County.

Warrant Issued

ORDERED Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Alderman Robert Lurting or Order the sum of Nine pounds Eleaven shilings and two pence Current Money of New York out of the Six hundred pounds Tax it being Money by him paid for Nails hinges Boards & Carpenters work for the Repairing the City Hall in January last as Appears by his Acct and Vouchers which are allowed.

ORDER'D that the Committee for Repairing the City Hall do direct the building of Convenient Seats on each Side of the Court Chamber in the City Hall of this City for the Accommodation of Grand and Petty Jurys and that they Imploy workmen for performing the same.

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ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer of this City to pay to Coll Abraham D: Peyster or Order out of the Rent of the ferry the sum of Sixty pounds Current Money of New York in full for two years Interest of the Mortgage of the same ferry when the same Shall become due.

Warrant Issued

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the twenty fifth day of february Anno Dom 1709[-10]

Present Ebenezer Willson ESq[r] Mayor
May Bickley ESq[r] Recorder

Aldermen:
William Smith
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
Jacobus Kip
Samuell Bayard

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Assistants.
Abraham Keteltas
Cornelius D: Peyster
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevort
William Provoost
Johannes Tiebout

THE FOLLOWING LAWS Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established and published and ORDERED to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof (Viz[t])

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick houses without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations for the Markett
Assize of bread to be Established Every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acc[t] of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices

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Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and Slips
Law against firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed at the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon such as refuse to watch.
Law for Cleaning the streets Lanes and Alleys of this City
Law prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
Swine Prohibited to run at large
Law against digging holes in the Commons or Cutting Sodds
Law for preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates
Law Imposing A fine upon Elective Magistrates refusing to serve
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within the City of N: York
Law Prohibiting swine to run at large in the Bowry Division
Law for Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City.

[168] The Petition of James Harding the Lessee of the ferry was read praying an Abatement of his Rent of the ferry by reason of the Great sickness of the small pox &c: which was rejected

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on fryday the one & thirtieth day of March Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

Aldermen:
Edward Blagge
Robert Lurting
Walter Thong
Jacobus Kip

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevort
Cornelius D Peyster
Johannes Tiebout

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Warrant Issued

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Richardson Richard Davis John Cure and John Holmes Bellmen of this City or Order the sum of twenty Six pounds Current Money of New York which with ten pounds they have Already Received is in full of their sallary as Bellmen of this City due and Ending the seaventeenth day of April Next

The second Petition of James Harding the Lessee of the ferry praying an Abatement of his Rent of the ferry by reason of the great sickness of Small pox &c: was read and rejected.

Warrt Issued

ORDER'D that The Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer [to] pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of two pounds Eight Shilings Current Money of New York it being for three Blank paper books one for Recording the Tax Roles and the Other two for Registering freemen by him bought of William Bradford for the use of this City in february last.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday the thirteenth day of April Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

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ESqrs Aldermen:
William smith
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevort
Cornelius D Peyster
William Provoost
Johannes Tiebout

The following Petition was this day three times read & Approved

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and by this Court presented to the Honble the President and the Rest of her Majestys Council of this Province. in Council (Vizt)

To the Honble Gerrardus Beeckman ESqr President and the Rest of her Majestys Council of the Province of New York.

The Humble Petition of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York Convened in Common Council

SHEWETH That as Nothing Contributes more to the hapiness of A People than plenty so Nothing is more deplorable than the want of bread which seems at this time to threaten this Colony (and in a more Especial manner this City the Metropolis thereof) Occasioned by the illegall and undue practices of Several of the Inhabitants thereof as well as Agents from the Neighbouring Colonys who for some time past have, and Still Continue to Engross and Monopolize all the wheat both in City & Country as well for Transportation as to sell again in this Country at unreasonable prices for their own private Lucre and gain to the Grievious Oppression of the poor. and the Arrival of three thousand four hundred Palatines from Great Brittain being dayly Expected here who must be Supported with the Nessessarys of life will yett render the want of bread more Grievious by the great Consumption they must Nessessarily make if the Impending danger be not Speedily prevented.

Your Honours Petitioners therefore most humbly pray that your Honours will take the premisses into your serious Consideration [170] And direct such Effectual Measures for preventing the Mischiefs Aforesaid as to your Honours great Wisdom and prudence Shall seem just and reasonable

And your Honours Petitioners as in duty bound Shall pray &c:

Ebenezer Willson Mayor
May Bickley Recordr
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
Jacobus Kip
samuell Bayard

Abraham Keteltas
John Brevoort
Barth Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
William Provoost
Johannes Tiebout

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday ye: thirteenth day of May Anno Dom 1710.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

William Smith
Walter Thong
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESqrs Aldermen.

Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevoort
Cornelius D Peyster
Johannes Tiebout
} Assistants.

The Committee appointed the 29th day of November last to Audit the Books and Accts of the Treasurer of this City and to Settle & Adjust the Books and Accompts of this Corporation Make their Report in hæc Verba (Vizt)

Pursuant to an Order of Common Council bearing the twenty Ninth day of November last past to us directed for Auditing Settling Adjusting &c: the City Accounts and Books of the late Treasurers of this Corporation &c: We have Stated in Regular form ye yearly Treasurers Accts and some Other Accts of this City from the 14th of October 1700 to the 14th October 1706 hereunto Annexed the two former years (Vizt) Anno 1698. & 1699 the first being Stated by the then Treasurer and Audited by Committees of the Common Council as ℔ the Minutes of the old Common Council [171] Book page 406. 409. & 421 Appears to Which Referr. the Latter by Auditors Judicially Appointed by the Supream Court, the Report of those Gentlemen as also their Report on the Acct of Capt. Beyvanck being both Regularly Entred by us in this our Annexed State the Ballance due there by & from Sundry Persons to the City Appears to be £645 — 18 — 10¼ Some of which Persons have City Warrants in their hands toward payment of their several Ballances, Others wee are Satisfied have no Such Warrants who Ought severally to pay their several Ballances in the City Treasury.

Wee have also Examined the Common Council Books for ten years

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and by the help of those Minutes and the Imperfect Papers and Acct^s^ wee found (in the Present Treasurers Town Clerk's and Other Citizens hands) have to the best of our Abilities made this our State all which has Occasion'd us no in Considerable trouble and pains whereby it Appears to us Considerable Sums of Money belonging to the City besides the above £645 — 18 — 10¼ to be in the hands of former Mayors Aldermen Treasurers and Other Citizens.

The Annexed yearly Acct^s^ we are of Opinion Ought to be Copyed in the New Books of Accts of the Corporation purchased by the City for that use Either by the Present or late Treasurer and the yearly Acct^s^ since October 1706 to this day also Stated in Order to an Audit against the Next Meeting of the Common Council

And for Preventing of the like disorder of the City Affairs and Acct^s^ for the future which hath Cost the Corporation in Law suits &c: (besides all Other Grievious Charges damages and Losses) upwards of £200 is Our Opinion

That the Treasurers keep A Particular Acct of the several Branches of the City Revenue, Arising by the Ferry Dock Fines Lycenses Freedoms Taxes &c: Entring in the City Journal the Persons Names taking their Freedoms Lycenses &c: with the sums Receiv'd of them Charging the Payments to the Ferry Dock &c: as the same become due and discharging those Acct^s^ by the payments made by which the Corporation may at all times know what is due and to Come in and when which Otherwise they Cannot.

That the Treasurers upon the producing of any City Warrants drawn on them if they have not Money to discharge Said Warrants give the Person to whom Said Warrant is payable an Acct. in the City Books Mentioning the date sum and Number if Any and [172] for what whereby the Corporation may at all times know what they are in debt. That the Warrants being Numbred be paid by the Treasurer in Course (Sallary Warrants Excepted) Pursuant to their Numbers and Not Otherwise Except out of funds Appropriated or Special directions given in Said Warrants to be hereafter given or Warrants Granted before that date.

That no Treasurer hereafter to be Elected Officiate, upon A Penalty to be Ascertained by the Common Council before he hath given Bond

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with Surety or Sureties for the sum of one thousand pounds to the liking of the Common Council to keep the City Acct^s^ and make the payments Pursuant to the above scheme. and when Superseded to deliver the City Books of Acct^s^ Stated as above together with all the City Papers in his hands as also what Money upon Audit of his Accts Shall Appear to be Remaining in his hands within fourteen days after his supersedure and in Case he Continue longer than one year in that Office to make up and State the City Acct^s^ as before ready for an Audit within fourteen days after his second Election.

That upon the Election the New Treasurer be Acquainted on what Terms he is to Officiate his Office which if Refused by him Another be Elected, which if refused by him Others to be Elected untill one be found that will Officiate.

That upon the Coming in of A New Treasurer the old Treasurer having performed all the Conditions of his bond the same be delivered up to him with A Release Executed by the Mayor under the City seal by Order of Common Council he delivering all the City Warrants by him paid to his Successor.

That upon the Election of A New Treasurer the old Treasurer be only allowed half Commission for the City Cash Remaining in his hands and paid by him to his Successors and that the New Treasurer have also only half Commission for what Shall be so received by him of his Predecessor

That no Warrants on the Treasurer be drawn (Sallary Warrants Excepted) but where the Acct^s^ have been first Audited Conformable to previous Orders of Common Council.

That the Clerk upon his Drawing of Warrants Number them and at the same time deliver the Acct^s^ Audited as Aforesaid to the Treasurer to be by him Kept and fyled.

[173] That all Committees for Auditing of Accts if they Suspect the Vouchers produced to them to be Surreptitiously Obtained may make the bringers in of those Acct^s^ Swear to their Acct^s^

That all the City Magistrates Officers and Others that have or Shall Receive any Money on Acct of the City Shall Account with the

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Corporation Every three Months on the days the City Laws be Confirmed and within fourteen days After pay the Moneys in his or their hands into the City Treasury.

all which is Submitted by

N York May ye: 9th 1710.

William Smith
Walter Thong
samuell Bayard
Cornelius D Peyster
Joh Tibout

which Report is Approved Nemine Contra dicente and ORDER'D that Alderman Lurting Alderman Bayard and Alderman Kip or any two of them be A Committee to Make A further State of the debts due to this Corporation, to demand the same from the several Persons that are indebted, to State their Acct$ with them and Receive their Answers and to make Report of their proceedings therein with all Convenient Speed.

Warr$ Issued N° 1

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Jacques Fontyn or Order the Sum of three pounds five shilings and one penny half penny Curr$ Money of New York it being for Expences at his house by the Committee of Common Council for Auditing & Stating the Treasurers Books and Accts & the Acct$ of this Corporation at twenty five several Meetings from the 29th day of November last past to the Ninth day of this Instant Month of May.

Warr$ Issued N° 2

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to John Coenraed Codweis or Order the Sum of two pounds ten Shilings Curr$ Money of New York it being for Engrossing the City Accts Stated by the Committee for Auditing the same

Warrant Issued N° 3

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes Marshall of this City or Order the sum of five pounds Eighteen Shilings Current Money of New York it [being] for half A years Sallary due and Ending the fourteenth day of April last past four Journeys to Harlem & fire & Candle as Appears by his Acct$ which is Allowed.

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[174] City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the Sixth day of June Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William Smith, samuell Bayard, Jacobus Kip } ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Laroux, Cornelius D: Peyster, John Brevoort, Abraham Keteltas, William Provoost, Johannes Tiebout } Assistants

The following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established and published and Ordered to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof. Vizt

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick houses without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations of the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established Every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Account of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and Slips
Law agt firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be landed at the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon such as Refuse to watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys of this City
Law prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive Over the Common sewer
swine Prohibited to run at large
Law agt digging holes on the Commons or Cutting sodds

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Law for preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates
Law Imposing A Fine upon Elective Magistrates &c: Refusing to serve
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
[175] Law prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within the City of New York
Law prohibiting swine to run at large in the Bowry Division
Law Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City

Law for Regulateing the Office of Chamberlain or Treasurer

A LAW FOR THE REGULATION OF THE OFFICE OF CHAMBERLAIN OR TREASURER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK VIZ[T]

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and it is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that the Person hereafter to be Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer of the said City Shall be A Person of good Ability and Reputation inhabiting and Residing within the said City of New York and A Freeman of the said Corporation who hath taken the Oath of A Freeman thereof and that such Person so Elected before he Shall Enter upon or Officiate in the said Office of Chamberlain or Treasurer Shall giue Bond to the Mayor Aldermen & Commonality of the City of New York and their successors w[th] sufficient surety or suretys to the liking of the said Corporation in the sum of one thousand pounds Current Money of New York with Condition to the Effect or in the form as herein after followeth (to witt) Whereas the aboue bounden A: B: is now Elected into the Office and place of Chamberlain or Treasurer of the Said City for the year Ensueing Now the Condition of this Obligation is Such that if the said A: B: shall and do well faithfully and truely perform Execute and do all things whatsoever which any ways touch or Concern his said Office and well and faithfully in all things behaue himself in the Execution of the said Office of Chamberlain or Treasurer of the said City of New York and Shall in due Order and Method in proper Books for that purpose Keep A true Exact and Just Accompt of the several Branches of the Revenue Rents and Incomes of the said Corporation and in the like Orderly Manner discharge the same by due and Orderly payments and also Shall and do Euery three Months or oftner (if he Shall be thereunto re-

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quested,[)] render to the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality their successors and Assigns A true & Just Accompt of all his Receipts and payments Regularly stated in such proper books for that purpose and shall and do Observe all such Orders Rules and directions in the Making his paym^ts as he from time to time Shall Receive from the Common Council of the said City and also if the Said A: B: his Executors & Adm^rs Shall and do within the space and time of fourteen days next after the Determination or end of his Said Office as Chamberlain or Treasurer as Aforesaid be it by death of the said A: B: or Otherwise well and truely render A true and just Accompt fairly Entred in Books for that purpose as Aforesaid of all his Receipts and payments unto the said Mayor Aldermen and [176] Commonality of the said City their successors and Assigns and well & truely pay or Cause to be paid unto the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the said City their successors and Assigns all such sum and sums of Money as Shall be then in his or their hands or which he or they Shall upon such Accompt be found to be in Arrear and also Shall and do upon A sufficient discharge in Law to him to be given by the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality and their successors within the time Aforesaid well and truely surrender and deliver up unto the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonality their successors and Assigns all and singular the Books [and] Accompts belonging to the said Office with all Warrants Vouchers and Memorandums belonging to the same and also all and singular Bills Bonds Specialties Leases Grants Deeds Patents and all Other Papers and Writings whatsoever in any wise belonging to the said Corporation without any Concealment Imbezellment or fraud that then this Obligation to be Void Otherwise to be and Remain in full force and Vertue. And be it further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that if any person hereafter to be Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer of the said City Shall Neglect or Refuse to Enter into Such security as Aforesaid within the Space of fourteen days next after his being so Elected such Election Shall be and is hereby declared to be Null and Void to all Intents and purposes whatsoever and that the Said Corporation may and is hereby Impowered to proceed to Elect another person into the said Office as if Such Person so formerly Elected had Never been Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer as aforesaid and toties quoties when any Person so Elected Shall Neglect or Refuse to give such security as is Aforesaid directed any former usage or Law of the Said Corporation to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding. And. be it further Ordained by the Authority Aforesaid that if any Person hereafter to be Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer of the said City Shall at any time after such

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security as is herein before required such Person so Offending in the Election take upon him the Execution of the said Office or Officiate or do any Act thing or things belonging to the same before he hath taken the usual Oath for the due Execution of his Office and given such Premisses Shall forfeit the sum of ten pounds to be Recovered before the Mayor Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the said City who are hereby Impowered to Levy the same upon the Goods and Chattells of such Offender by Warrant under his hand & seal and the same to be paid into the Treasury of this City to and for the use of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the said City & their successors and that all such Act and Acts thing and things so by such Person performed and done before such Oath taken & such security Given as aforesaid shall be and is hereby declared to be Null and Void to all Intents and purposes whatsoever any [177] Usage of any former Chamberlain or Treasurer or of the Corporation Aforesaid to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding.

The Petition of Robert Puddington was read praying A survey be made of A Certain Lott of Ground lying on this Island &c: and A parcell of Meadow with A slip of Upland thereunto Annexed butted on the south West upon the Lotts of Henry Brasier North East upon the Old Kill south East along the East River and North West by the highway ORDER'D that the surveyor of this City survey and lay out the same saving the Right of the City to any land there and that the surveyor make A Return thereof to this board at the Charge of the Petitioner

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 13th day of June Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESqrs Aldermen.
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Brevoort
Johannes Tiebout
William Provoost
} Assistants.

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RESOLVED that the Bond for performance of Covenants from the Lessees of the Dock made to this Corporation be forthwith put in suit by Reason of their Continued breach of Covenants in not Cleaning of the Dock and Repairing of the wharfs &c: According to the Tenor of their Lease and that the Treasurer deliver to the Recorder the said Lease & Bond in Order to his Speedy prosecution of the same.

ORDER'D that Alderman Lurting Alderman Kip Mr Tiebout and Mr Provoost or any three of them be A Committee to Agree with and Imploy workmen for Making tyte the Cupulo of the City Hall.

[178] ORDER'D that Alderman Kip and Capt D: Peyster be A Committee to Audit the Accts of William Hobbs ISaac Stoutenburgh and John Finch and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council.

ORDER'D that Alderman Kip and Mr D: Peyster be A Committee to Agree with A scavenger for Carrying away the Dirt and soyl out of the broad street for the year Ensueing.

ORDER'D that John Brevoort be pound Keeper of the Bowry Division of the Out Ward of the said City during the pleasure of this Court in the Room of Rebeckah Van schaick upon the Conditions following (Vizt) that the said John Brevoort shall at his own proper Cost and Charge make A good and sufficient pound & keep the same in good Repair during the time he Shall be keeper thereof That he Accompt with this Court upon Oath Every three Months if Required and pay one half of all the Profitts thereof to the Treasurer of this City for the use of this Corporation and that vpon the service of this Order the said Rebeckah Van schaick be discharged from the said Office.

The following Petition was read and Approved and ORDER'D to be signed by the Mayor & forthwith presented to the Council

To the Honble Gerrardus Beeckman ESqr
President and the Rest of her Majestys Council
of the Province of New York.

The Petition of the Mayor Aldermen
and Commonality of the City of New York

SHEWETH That Whereas A Great Number of Palatines are lately Arrived in this Port and greater Numbers dayly Expected who after so long A Voyage are grown Very sickly and have many Contagious distempers among them as there is just Cause to believe. and your Petitioners being Very Apprehensive that if they Should be permitted to land within this Corporation at this hot season of the year it would Endanger the health of the Inhabitants and be A great

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Obstruction to the Trade and Wellfare of this City by detering the Country People and Others from Resorting & Comeing hither as usual Therefore your Petitioners humbly pray this Honble board so to dispose and place the said Palatines that they may not be permitted to Come within this City untill they Shall be in A full State of health And the Petitioners Shall pray &c:

℔ Order of Common Council
WILL SHARPAS Cl EBENEZER WILLSON MAYOR

[179] ORDER'D that Alderman Blagge Mr Keteltas Mr Laroux and Mr Brevoort or any three of them be A Committee to View and Make Report to this Court what Incroachments are made upon the highway from Crommesshe to freshwater.

City of New York } SS ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 16th day of June Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
William smith
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip

Assistants:
Abraham Keteltas
Cornelius D: Peyster
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevort
Johannes Tiebout
William Provoost

RESOLVED that this Corporation do Congratulate his Excellency Coll Hunter on his happy Arrival to this his Government and that the Recorder prepare an Address Accordingly

RESOLVED that this Corporation Compliment his Excellency Coll Hunter with the Freedom of this Corporation, that the seal be Inclosed in A Gold Box of the like Value as has usually been given to Other Governours and that the Mayor take Care the same be provided Accordingly.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on saturday the 17th day of June Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

Aldermen:
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Walter Thong
Edward Blagge
samuell Bayard

Assistants:
Jacobus Kip
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevoort
John Tiebout
William Provoost

[180] The following Address was read and Approved and signed by this Board and ORDERED this Court forthwith Attend his Excellency & present the same.

To His Excellency Robert Hunter ESqr Capt General and Governour in Chief of the Provinces of New York New Jersey and Territories depending thereon in America and Vice Admiral of the same &c:

The Humble Address of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of her Majestys Most Ancient City and Corporation of New York

May it please Your Excellency

Her Most sacred Majesty throughout the whole Course of her Reign has sufficiently demonstrated that She desires Nothing more than the welfare and hapiness of her people the greatest Influence whereof wee do with all humble Gratitude Acknowledge in A peculiar manner to Enjoy at this time by her Royall wisdom and Goodness in Appointing Your Excellency Capt General & Governour in Chief of this Province under whose Courage and Conduct wee may rest secure from our Enemies abroad and whose Justice & Prudence gives us the most lively hopes of healing all our jarrs & divisions at home

WEE do therefore with the Greatest Joy and Affection Congratulate

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your Excellencys Arrival to this City the Chief seat of your Government and shall on all Occasions give your Excellency sufficient Assurances of our Loyalty to the best of soveraigns by A Ready Obedience to Your Excellencys Government.

That her Majestys most Auspitious Reign may Continue long over us and her Arms be Crown'd with fresh Victorys and that under her wee may long Enjoy the hapiness of Your Excellencys Just and wise Administration are the Most Earnest and Real desires of

Her Majestys Most Loyall Subjects and your Excellencys Most dutifull and Obedient Humble servants.

Ebenezer Willson Mayor
May Bickley Recorder
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip

Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Larous
John Brevort
John Tiebout
William Provoost.

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By the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of New York June ye: 28th Anno Dom 1710

ASSIZE OF BREAD

ORDER'D the Assize of Bread be till further Order as followeth (Viz!)

A WHITE loaf of the finest flower to weigh two pounds and A Quarter for four pence half penny.

A WHEATEN loaf the Coursest bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh two pounds & three quarters for four pence half penny.

A WHITE loaf of the finest flower to weigh ten ounces for three half pence and that no Other bread be made for Sale within this City but According to the above Assize (Biskett only Excepted) and ORDER'D that all Bakers of this City do take Notice thereof & bake their

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bread Accordingly wheat being at Six Shilings ℔ Bushell. Dated in New York the 28th day of June in the Ninth Year of her Majestys Reign Anno Dom 1710.

Ebenezer Willson Mayor
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Jacobus Kip

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 25th day of July Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William Smith
Edward Blagge
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Brevoort
Johannes Tiebout
William Provoost
} Assistants.

Order'd that Mr John Keill & Mr Archibald Kennedy Gent be Complimented with the freedom of this Corporation

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Tuesday the 12th day of Sepbr Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William Smith
Walter Thong
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} Aldermen.
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Johannes Tiebout
} Assistants

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Warrant Issued

The Committee Appointed to Audit the Acct of William Hobbs do Report that there is due to the said William Hobbs the sum of ten pounds Sixteen Shilings and Six pence for Boards and labor for the use and Repair of the City Hall in May last which Report is Approved and ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay the same out of the Moneys of the Six hundred pounds tax.

Warrant Issued

The Committee Appointed to Audit the Acct of ISaac Stoutenburgh Report that there is due to him four pounds for timber and Pine Boards for the Repair and use of the City Hall in february last which Report is Approved and ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay the same out of the Six hundred pounds Tax

Warrant Issued

The Committee Appointed to Audit the Acct. of John Finch Report that there is due to him one pound five Shilings and A half penny for glew Nails and hinges for the use and Repair of the City Hall in May last which Report is Approved and ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay the same out of the Six hundred pound Tax

Warrant Issued N° 4

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of ten pounds Sixteen Shilings & three pence Curr! Money of New York it being for half A years sallary due and Ending the fourteenth day of July last and for Money by him paid for Engrossing an Address and Freedom for his Excellency Coll Hunter & as appears by his Acct. which is Allowed

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Warrant Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer (Nemine Contra dicente) to pay to John Harris and Isaac Anderson or Order out of the six hundred pounds Tax the sum of thirty five pounds Currant Money of New York in full for their making the bridge over the Dock Pursuant to an Agreement made the Ninth day of february last.

Warrant Issued N° 5

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Dobbs or Order the sum of thirty Dollars being Eight pounds five Shilings Currant Money of New York it being in full of his Sallary as scavenger of this City due and Ending *due and Ending* the first day of August last he having Received ten dollars before.

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Warr^{t} Issued for 2 — 15 — 0 N° 6

The Committee for Agreeing with A scavenger for the broad Street Report they have Agreed with Andries Brewer for one year at Eleaven pounds ℔ Annum Commencing the Eleventh day of June last which Report is Approved and ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrants for the Payment of the same Quarterly as the same becomes due.

THE following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established and published and ORDER'D to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof (Viz^{t})

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick houses without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations of the Markett
Assize of bread to be Established every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acc^{t} of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and Slips
Law against firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law ag^{t} Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed at the sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon such as refuse to watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys within this City
Law prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
Swine prohibited to Run at large.
[184] Law ag^{t} digging holes on the Commons or Cutting sodds
Law for preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates &c:
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting the Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes & Alleys within the City of New York

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Law Prohibiting Swine to run at large in the Bowry division
Law for the Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City
Law for Regulateing the Office of Chamberlain or Treasurer of the City of New York

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1710 being the feast day of St Michael the Arch Angell

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William Smith
Robert Lurting
Walter Thong
Edward Blagge
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevoort
Johannes Tiebout
William Provoost } Assistants

Pursuant to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this City for the Electing this day one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one Petty Constable in the five Wards on the south side of the fresh water and one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors two Collectors two Petty Constables and four Surveyors of Highways for the Out Ward of the Said City for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the Said Ward to serve in their Respective Offices for the year Ensueing According to the Usage Laws and Ordinances of the said City & Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof at twelve of the Clock at noon to the Office of Town Clerk under the hands and seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenor of the aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Vizt)

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East Ward	John D: Peyster	Alderman
	Abraham Wendell	Assistant
	John Reade	Assessors
	John Auboyneau	Assessors
	Alexander Moore	Collector
	Evert Duyckinck	Constable

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West Ward	William Smith	Alderman	
	Bartholemew Laroux	Assistant	
	Jacobus Goelet	Assessors	
	Harmanus Vangelder		
	Barent Deforeest	Collector	
	Elias Jamain	Constable	
North Ward	Jacobus Kip	Alderman	
	Anthony Rutgers	Assistant	
	Joseph Waldron	Assessors	
	Jacob Bennett		
	Thomas Hooke	Collector	
	William Echt	Constable	
South Ward	Walter Thong	Alderman	
	Cornelius D: Peyster	Assistant	
	Hermanus Rutgers	Assessors	
	Anthony Lynch		
	ISaac D: Riemer	Collector	
	Thomas Statham	Constable	
Dock Ward	Samuell Bayard	Alderman	
	Albert Clock	Assistant	
	Elias Boudinot	Assessors	
	Nathaniell Marston		
	John White	Collector	
	Noah Cazallette	Constable	
Out Ward	Edward Blagge	Alderman	
	John Brevoort	Assistant	
	Phillip Minthorne	Assessor	for the Bowry Division
	John Miseroll	Collector	
	David Mendevil	Constable	
	Richard Moore	Surveyors of Highways	
	Jeremiah Burroughs		
	Johannes Meyer	Assessor	for Harlem Division
	John Kierse	Collector	
	Gerrett Duyckman	Constable	
	Adolph Meyer	Surveyors of Highways	
	Johannes Benson		

[186] A Minute of Council was read Signed by George Clarke ESqr secry. of this Province whereby his Excellency the Governour in Council was pleased to Nominate Coll Jacobus V: Cortlandt Mayor & Francis Harison ESqr sheriff of this City for the year Ensueing.

Resolved Nemine Contra dicente that Robert Lurting ESqr the

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Present Treasurer of this City be and is hereby Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer of this Corporation for the year Ensueing

ORDER'D that the Treasurer of this City render to this Court A yearly Acct of his Office during the time he has been Treasurer on or before the tenth day of October Next Ensueing.

The Mayor Appoints Mr Elias Jamain high Constable of this City for the year Ensueing. Whereupon it is ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the West Ward to Elect A sufficient Inhabitant of the Said Ward to serve in the Office of Petty Constable of the same Ward for the year Ensueing in the Room of the Said Elias Jamain at such time & place as the Mayor by his Said Warrant shall Appoint.

Complaint is made by Mr Johannes Jansen that Walter Thong ESqr Alderman of the south Ward of this City hath this day made an undue Return of the Election of Alderman of the Said Ward Alleadging that he the said Johannes Jansen was Elected Alderman by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants of the Said Ward and prays the Role of the Said Election be Examined & Scrutiny'd by A Committee of this board in Order that Right be done. ORDER'D that Alderman Smith Alderman Lurting Alderman Blagge Alderman Bayard and Alderman Kip or any three of them be A Committee to Examine and scrutiny the Said Election and make Report to this Court on fryday Next whether the said Mr Jansen or Alderman Thong is Elected by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants of the Said Ward to serve in the Said Office of Alderman of the same Ward for the year Ensueing and that all Persons Concern'd have Notice thereof.

The Committee for Making a further State of the Debts due to this City have made their Report which was read and ORDER'D that the Consideration thereof be Refer'd to an Other Opportunity.

WHEREAS Mr ISaac D: Riemer hath made Application to this Court for A Warrant for the Money due to him Pursuant to an Order of Common Council made the fifteenth day of November last [187] past; but this Court finding that the said Mr D: Riemer is indebted to this Corporation in sundry sums of Money during his Mayorality and Otherways for which he has not yett Accounted it is therefore Resolved by this Court that assoon as the said Mr D: Riemer has fully

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Accompted with this Corporation that A Warrant Shall be Granted to him for such Ballance as upon such Acct shall justly Appear to be due unto him any former Order to the Contrary Notwithstanding.

City of New York } SS

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on fryday the 6th day of October Anno Dom 1710

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William Smith
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip } ESqrs Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
Johannes Tiebout
William Provoost } Assistants

The Committee Appointed to Examine & scrutiny the Election of the south Ward Report that they have given Notice to the parties and that Alderman Thong did not attend them with the Role of the Said Election so that they Cannot Report who is duely Elected According to the Said Order it is therefore further Order'd that the said Committee do again give Notice to the said parties and that if Either of the parties do attend that they do Examine & hear what Voices were Electors for Either party and make Report Accordingly on Wensday next.

The Petition of some of the Inhabitants of the North Ward was read Complaining that William Provoost was Elected Alderman of the said Ward the 29th day of September last and that Alderman Kip has Return'd himself Elected. Order'd that Alderman smith Alderman Lurting Alderman Bayard & Alderman Blagge or any three of them be A Committee to Examine into the said Election and Report who is Elected Alderman of the said Ward by the Majority of the Voices of the Inhabitants of the same and make Report thereof on Wensday Next and that the parties have Notice Accordingly.

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[188] ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday the 11th day of October Anno Dom 1710.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William Smith
Samuell Bayard } ESqrs Aldermen
Jacobus Kip
Bartholemew Laroux
Abraham Keteltas
John Brevort } Assistants.
Johannes Tiebout

The Committee Appointed to Scrutiny the Election of the North Ward Report that Jacobus Kip is Elected Alderman of the Said Ward for the year Ensueing by the Majority of Voices of the Inhabitants of the Said Ward. which Report is Confirm'd Accordingly

The Committee for Examining the Election of the South Ward Report in hæc Verba (Vizt) In Obedience to an Order of Common Council of the sixth Instant to us directed further to Scrutiny the Election of Alderman of the South Ward; Pursuant to Said Order wee mett and gave Notice to Alderman Thong and Mr Johannes Jansen to Appear, the latter Appearing and Alderman Thong did not but not being able to Obtain the List of the Votes taken by Alderman Thong Mr Johannes Jansen brought four persons (Vizt) Jacob Mauritz ISaac D: Riemer Junr Peter Meyer & Nicholas Rosevelt who upon their Oaths deposed that they Voted for Mr Johannes Jansen for Alderman on the 29th day of September last to serve for the said Ward which is Submitted by

Wm Smith
E: Blagge
samll Bayard
Jacobus Kip

which Report is Confirm'd it Appearing to this Court that Mr Johannes Jansen is by the Plurality of Voices of the Inhabitants of the said Ward Elected Alderman of the said Ward for the year Ensueing the said Mr Thong having refused to Attend the said Committee or make Appear that he had any Votes for him and also refused to deliver the list of the Said Election, and ORDER'D that the Clerk do bring the Return of the Election of the Said Ward to the Next [189] Common Council and that the same be mended Accordingly

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N° 7 Warr[t] Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to May Bickley ESq[r] or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds ten Shilings Curr[t] Money of New York it being for fees in the Action of sickles ads. Turneur in 1708, fees for Attending the Council for Opposing the passing the Bills about the Repair of the highways and for Attending the Assembly several times to Oppose the passing of the Bill for Enforcing the Covenants of the Lease of the ferry which is Allowed.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on saturday the 14[th] day of October 1710.

Present Ebenezer Willson ESq[r] Mayor
May Bickley ESq[r] Recorder
William Smith
Walter Thong
Edward Blagge
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESq[rs] Aldermen
Abraham Keteltas
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevort
Johannes Tiebout
William Provoost
} Assistants

This day the Mayor Attended by Coll Jacobus V: Cortlandt the Mayor Elect the Aldermen Assistants Sheriff Assessors Collectors Constables and Other Officers of Said City about the hour of ten in the forenoon Marched from the City Hall to Fort Anne and there waited upon his Excellency the Governour in Council where the Said Coll V: Cortlandt was Sworn Mayor of this City & Francis Harison ESq[r] Sheriff of the said City & County for the year Ensueing & thereupon his Excellency the Governour deliver'd to them their Respective Commissions Accordingly whereupon the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid went from thence [190] to the City Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor and Sheriff were published and then they Repaired to the Court Room where the Old Mayor deliver'd to the New Mayor the Chair the Charter and seals of the said City who then Resumed the Chair Accordingly & thereupon the Usual Oaths were Administred to John D Peyster Alderman of the East Ward William Smith Alderman of the West Ward Edward

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Blagge Alderman of the Out Ward Samuell Bayard Alderman of the Dock Ward & Jacobus Kip Alderman of the North Ward, Bartholemew Laroux Assistant of the West Ward Abraham Wendell Assistant of the East Ward Albert Clock Assistant of the Dock Ward Anthony Rutgers Assistant of the North Ward and John Brevort Assistant of the Out Ward. as also Elias Jamain High Constable, Thomas Statham Constable of the South Ward, William Ecght Constable of the North Ward Noah Cazallett Constable of the Dock Ward David Mendevil Constable of the Bowry and Gerrett Dyckman Constable of Harlem.

Mr Cornelius D: Peyster Assistant of the south Ward and Evert Duyckinck Constable of the East Ward were absent.

Order'd that Alderman Smith Alderman Blagge Alderman Bayard and Alderman Kip or any three of them be a Committee to Examine & Scrutiny the Election of Alderman of the south Ward Pursuant to their former Order and Report to this Court who is Elected Alderman of the Said Ward for the year Ensueing with all Convenient Expedition & that the Parties Concern'd have Notice thereof

Mr Lurting Treasurer of this City proposed Mr Rip Van Dam for his security for the due Execution of his Office &c: which security is Approved by this Court.

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday ye: 17th day of October Anno Dom 1710

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster } ESqrs Aldermen
William smith }
[191] samuell Bayard } ESqrs Aldermen
Jacobus Kip }
Bartholemew Laroux } Assistants.
John Brevort
Albert Clock
Abraham Wendell
Andrew Rutgers

The Committee Appointed to Scrutiny the Election of the south Ward Report in hæc Verba (Viz:) Pursuant to an Order of Common Council of the 14th Instant to us directed to Examine & scrutiny the Election of the Alderman of the South Ward of the Said City Pursuant to former Orders In Obedience to Said Order wee mett and had the list of the Election of Said Ward on the 29th of Sepbr last produced to

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us by Alderman Thong and having heard the Allegations and witt-nesses produced by both parties i'ts our Opinion (after A long debate of the matter) that Mr Johannes Jansen by the qualifyed Votes of the Inhabitants of Said Ward allowed by us is Elected Alderman of Said Ward by the Plurality of one Vote which is humbly submitted by

Wm Smith
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip

which Report is Confirm'd unless the parties Concern'd Show Cause to the Contrary the Next Common Council whereof they are to have Notice.

No 8 Warrant Issued

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes or Order the sum of seaven pounds seaventeen Shilings and Six pence Currt Money of New York it being for one quarter of A Years Sallary due and Ending the 14th Instant as Marshall of this City for Candles for the Watch from the tenth day of April to the tenth Instant being 182 days & four Journeys to Harlem as Appears by his Acct. which is allowed

No 9 Warrant Issued

Orderd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas Town Clerk of this City or Order the sum of Nine pounds Nineteen Shilings and three pence Currant Money of New York it being for one quarter of A years Sallary due & Ending the 14th Instant, for Pen Ink and Paper for one year Ending the same time for Cash paid for Engrossing & Parchment two Freedoms for Dr Keil and Mr Kennedy and for A Blank book for Records as Appears by his Acct which is allowed

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday ye: 21th day of October Anno Dom 1710

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster
William Smith
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Johannes Jansen
} ESqrs Aldermen

Resolved that the Report of the Committee for Making A scrutiny

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of the Election of the south Ward made the last Common Council be Confirmed no Cause being shown to the Contrary and that the Return of the Said Election be mended According to an Order made the 11th Instant. Whereupon the usual Oaths were Administred to Johannes Jansen ESqr Alderman of the said south Ward who tooke his place Accordingly

Order'd that Alderman Bayard Alderman Kip and Mr Wendell or any two of them be A Committee for Auditing the publick Accts of this City

Order'd the Acct of Mr Thong be Refer'd to the Said Committee

Order'd that Mr Recorder Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Jansen and Alderman smith or any three of them be A Committee to make A State of the yearly Revenue of this Corporation and of the Annual Charge thereof and make Report thereof with all Convenient Expedition and that the Treasurer & Town Clerk attend the said Committee with Books and Papers

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday ye: 25th day of October Anno Dom 1710

Present Jacobus V Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster
William Smith
Johannes Jansen
Edward Blagge
Jacobus Kipp
} ESqrs Aldermen

[193] Cornelius D: Peyster
Bartholemew Laroux
Abraham Wendell
} Assistants

Mr Cornelius D: Peyster Assistant of the south Ward had this day the usual Oaths Administred unto him by the Mayor & Recorder and tooke his place Accordingly

Evert Duyckinck who was Elected Constable of the East Ward the 29th day of September last, Appeared before this Court in his proper person and Acquainted them he was ready to pay his fine & desired Another Person be Elected to serve in his Room. Order'd that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the East Ward to Cause A New Election of A Constable of the said Ward on Saturday Next.

A Draft of A Bill Entituled an Act to Enable the Corporation of the City of New York to hold Plea of forraign Attachment and for

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Confirming to them their Antient Rights Customs & Liberties as the same are given Granted and Confirmed unto them by their Charter, was brought in by the Mayor and Recorder read and Approved and ORDER'D that the same be Recommended to the Members of this Corporation to Obtain the Passing of the same in the Gen^{ll} Assembly and ORDER'D that M^{r} Mayor and Alderman Jansen do lay out for this Corporation such sums of Money as they shall find Nessessary for Obtaining the passing of the same.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Agree with four Able men to be the Bellmen of this City from the first day of November Next to the first day of April then next following and make Report thereof to the first Common Council

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday the Second day of November 1710

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESq^{r} Mayor
May Bickley ESq^{r} Recorder

John D: Peyster
William Smith
} ESq^{rs} Aldermen

[194] Johannes Jansen
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESq^{rs} Aldermen

Cornelius D: Peyster
Bartholemew Laroux
Albert Clock
Abraham Wendell
} Assistants

ORDER'D that there be A Bonfire on the fifth day of November Next as usually in this City with the usual quantity of wine & that the Treasurer provide the same Accordingly

M^{r} Robert Lurting The Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City delivered to this Court A Bond for the due Execution of his Said Office Executed by himself and M^{r} Stephen Delancey Merch^{t} which is Approved by this Court and ORDER'D the same be lodged with the Mayor & thereupon the Said Robert Lurting was sworn Treasurer of this City Accordingly

The Said M^{r} Lurting produced his acc^{ts} of the time he has been Treasurer of this City ORDER'D they be Refer'd to the Committee for Auditing the Publick Acc^{ts}

M^{r} Gerrett Vanhorne having made Application to this Court that his Lott of Ground lying at the West end of Coll D Peysters house in

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Queen Street be laid out According to the Grant of the same from this Corporation. ORDER'D that the surveyor of this City lay out the same Accordingly in the Presence of Alderman D: Peyster and Mr Wendell.

ORDER'D that the Cage Pillory Stocks & whiping post be Removed to the upper end of the broad Street A little below the City Hall and be put up there and that Alderman Jansen and Mr D: Peyster do take Care to se[e] the same performed.

Mr Recorder descents from this Order.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 14th day of November Anno Dom 1710

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster, William smith } ESqrs Aldermen
[195] Johannes Jansen, samuell Bayard, Jacobus Kip } ESqrs Aldermen
Cornelius D: Peyster, Abraham Wendell, Bartholemew Laroux } Assistants

N° 10 Warrt Issued for ten pounds

The Committee for Agreeing with Bellmen Report that they have Agreed with William Richardson Richard Davis Dirck Cook & Arnout Hendricksen to be the Bellmen of this City from the first Instant to the first of April Next for the Sum of thirty Six pounds ten pounds whereof to be paid Immediately which Report is Approved and ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant for the Said ten pounds Accordingly and that he also provide the Said Bellmen with an hour Glass and Lanthorn.

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the West Ward for the Chusing of A Constable in the Room of Claese Bogaert who has paid his fine and that the Election be made on fryday next.

N° 11 Warrant Issued

ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay out of the Six hundred pound Tax unto Mr Walter Thong the sum of ten pounds twelve Shilings and ten pence half penny Current Money of New York it being for Money by him

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paid to Carpenters Labourers Carmen &c: for work done to the Bridge from March to September last as Appears by his Acct Audited which is Allowed

The Committee for Auditing the Publick Acctˢ Report upon the Acct. of Peter Willemse Roome in hæc Verba (Vizᵗ) Pursuant to the Order of Common Council wee have Examined two Audited Acctˢ of Peter Willemse Roome One for 5 — 7 — 9 and the Other for 6 — 13 — 9 both Amounting to 12 — 1 — 6 Audited the 9ᵗʰ of Sepᵇʳ 1700 and find by the old Common Council book page 392 that the said Peter Willemse Roome on the 18ᵗʰ of September in the same year had A Warrant Granted him for Said 12 — 1 — 6 on the Treasurer being for several disburstments at the City house at the ferry and said Audited Acctˢ being for the same service i'ts our Opinion that Nothing is due to the Said Peter Willemse thereon he being paid by the aforesaid Warrant which is [196] Submitted by Samuell Bayard Jacobus Kip which Report is Approved and Confirmed

Order'd the acct of William Hobbs be Refer'd to the Committee of Acctˢ

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on fryday the first day of December Anno Dom̄ 1710

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Alderman:
William Smith
Johannes Jansen
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Edward Blagge

Assistants:
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Brevoort
Albert Clock
Anthony Rutgers
Abraham Wendell

The following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established and published & Order'd to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof (Vizᵗ)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers

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None to keep publick house without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent Fire
Regulations of the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established Every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acct of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock & Slips
Law agt firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed at the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A fine upon such as refuse to watch
[197] Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes & Alleys within this City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common Sewer
Swine Prohibited to Run at large
Law agt Digging holes on the Commons or Cutting Sodds
Law for Preventing frauds in Firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of Publick Elective Magistrates &c:
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys within the City of New York
Law prohibiting Swine to run at large in the Bowry Division
Law for Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City
Law for Regulating the Office of Chamberlain or Treasurer of the City of New York.

Assize of Bread

Order'd that the Assize of Bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt) A White loaf of the finest Flower to weigh twelve Ounces for three half pence

A White loaf of the finest Flower to weigh two pounds and A half for four pence half penny

A Wheaten loaf the Coursest Bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh three pounds for four pence half penny wheat being

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at five Shilings ℔ Bushell. and that no Other bread be made for sale within this City but According to the above Assize (Biskett only Excepted) and ORDER'D that all Bakers of this City do take Notice hereof and bake their bread Accordingly

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on fryday the 19th day of January Anno Dom̄ 1710[-11]

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster
William Smith
Johannes Jansen
Edward Blagge
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESqrs Aldermen

[198] ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay out of the Six hundred pound Tax unto William Hobbs Carpenter the sum of thirteen pounds Current Money of New York *in* [it] being in full for work done in Repairing the Cupulo of the City Hall in the Months of Sepbr October and November last as Appears by his Acct Audited so much whereof is Allowed by the Auditors and no more, first deducting three Shilings and one penny half penny for old lead. nemine Contra dicente

N° 12 Warrt Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay out of the Six hundred pound Tax unto Mr William Bradford or Order the sum of three pounds Current Money of New York in full for sodder Charcole Candles and work done on the Repair of the Cupulo of the City Hall in November last as Appears by his Acct so much whereof is Allowed by the Auditors and no more. Nemine Contra dicente.

N° 13 Warrt Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Nemine Contra dicente Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay out of the Six hundred pound Tax unto Johannes Vangelder or Order the sum of two pounds ten shilings and seaven pence half penny Current Money of New York it being for Boards by him sold and delivered for the Repair of the Cupulo of the City Hall in July and September last as Appears by his Account Audited which is Allowed.

N° 14 Warrant Issued

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N° 15 Warrant Issued

ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay out of the six hundred pound Tax unto Mr Abraham Keteltas or Order the sum of one pound Six Shilings and seaven pence half penny Current Money of New York it being for Nails by him sold and delivered for the Repair of the Cupulo of the City Hall in November last as Appears by his Acct Audited & Reported which is Allowed.

N° 16 Warrant Issued

ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay out of the six hundred pound Tax unto Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr or Order the sum of four pounds Six Shilings and three pence Current Money of New York it being for Sheet lead by him sold and delivered for the Repair of the Cupulo of the City Hall in November as appears by his Acct Audited and Reported which is Allowed.

N° 17 Warrant Issued

[199] ORDER'D Nemine Contra dicente that the Mayor Issue his Warrt to the Treasurer to pay out of the Six hundred pound Tax unto samuell Phillips Blacksmith or Order the sum of one pound five Shilings and Nine pence three farthings Current Money of New York it being for Iron and Iron work for the Repair of the Cupulo of the City Hall in November last as Appears by his Acct Audited and Reported which is allowed.

ORDER'D that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Jansen Mr Clock and Mr Rutgers or any three of them be A Committee to View the house at the ferry and the landing Bridge there Report to this Court what Nessessary Reparations and Amendments are wanting to the said house and Bridge with all Convenient Expedition.

ORDER'D that Alderman D: Peyster Alderman Blagge Alderman smith and Alderman Kip or any three of them be A Committee to Inspect and Examine what Incroachments are made upon the highway between Fresh water and Crommesse and make Report thereof to this Court with all Convenient Expedition.

THE REPORT of the Committee for Stating the Debts due to this City was Read and Approved and Confirmed and ORDER'D that the Treasurer demand & Receive of the several Persons Dr to this Corporation the several sums of Money Mentioned in the said Report and make Return of his Proceedings therein to this Court with all Convenient Speed.

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ORDER'D the Said Report be Entred in the Minutes of Common Council which is in these words following (Viz^{t})

PURSUANT to an Order of Common Council bearing date the thirteenth day of May last past Ordering us to make A further State of the Debts of the Corporation with the Persons indebted thereunto and to Receive their Answers &c: Pursuant to which Order wee have Examined all Accounts and Persons Except Cap^{t} Provoost and Cap^{t} D: Riemer, who upon our summonses never mett us and find them as hereafter Exprest.

Thomas Clark and James Evetts Stand Indebted for Ballance of their Lease of the Dock ten pounds and also by A Report made by an [200] Order of the Mayor to View the Dock Wharfe &c: they are Indebted thirty five pounds as ℔ Said Award to which Refer the whole	45—00—00
Rebeckah Van schaick Stands Indebted for the pound for four years for which will or can Render no Account. it paid one year with Another upwards of fifty Shilings so wee Charge her with fifty Shilings ℔ Annum.....	10—00—00
Clem Elsworth is D^{r} for Land Sold Abraham Brasier for £150 at A publick Sale and he paid but £100 — : — : Remains D^{r}.....	50—00—00
James Spencer Remains D^{r} on his Lease £32 — 8 — 6 for which William Huddleston Entred into Bond for Payment thereof so is become bound for Said	32—08—06
John Areson Stands Indebted for his Lease of the ferry £56 — 7 — 3 which his Execu^{trs} Say is paid to Cap^{t} Provoost but produce no Receipts Neither has Cap^{t} Provoost given any Credit to the City for any such sum nor any part thereof...	56—07—03
John Ewouts Stands Indebted to the City on Acc^{t} of the Ferry £70 he Alledges to have paid to Cap^{t} Provoost £500 and some Money to M^{r} Emott but prduces no Receipts.....	70—00—00
Frans Wessells is D^{r} for ballance £5 — 2 — 8½ on Account of Land bought from the City.....	05—02— 8½
Jacobus Dekey is D^{r} by Bill under his hand.....	24—08—03
William Anderson is D^{r} for City Cash in his hands for Ballance of his Treasurers Acc^{t}.....	38—15—02¾

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Phillip French is Dr £107—8—on Acct of Land bought of the City & £65—15—3 on Acct of Money Received as Mayor £173—3—3 on which paid to John Johnsen £43—11—0 by Warrants in Mr Jansens hands when he was Treasurer for which no Credit was given him in the City Books, therefore the Ballance due from him is £129—12—3 towards payment of which he hath some Warrants in his hands.....	129—12—03
Transferd on the Other side.....	461—14—02¼
[201] Brought from the Other side.....	£461—14—02¼
Jacobus V: Cortlandt is Dr for Ballance £72—5—6 and also for timber of the City Hall £—0—18 towards payment of which he hath Money due by a Warrt.....	73—03—06
Ebenezer Willson Stands Dr to Ballance of his particular Acct with the City.....	11—00—00¼
William Merrett Stands indebted for the Ballance of an Account Audited the 16th of February 1705-6 the Sum of 85—14—6 for Money in his hands as Mayor of the City as ℔ Report to which Refer	85—14—06
David Provoost as Mayor of this City hath not by any of the City Books Accounted for the Freedoms and Lycenses during his Mayorality in which year 52 persons paid Excise to the Collector and the same year were Granted 24 Freedoms to Mechanicks and one to A Mercht the usual fees of each Lycense is for the City 18s each tradesmans Freedom 24s and each Merchts £3—12—0 the whole if Computed is.....	63—08—00
ISaac D: Riemer as Mayor of this City has not by any of the City Books Accounted for the Freedoms and Lycences during his Mayorality in which year 55 persons paid Excise to the Collector and in the same year were Granted 19 Freedoms to Mechanicks and 4 to Merchants each tradesman fee to the City is 24s and Mr D: Riemer Received A Fine for Coll Minveills Negroes Emptying A Tub of Ordure in the Street the whole if Computed is..	87—14—00

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Mr D: Riemer as Mayor had Orders to Sell A small Board house of the Citys but has not Accounted for it the Order of Common Council was the 29th of September 1701 as ℔ old Common Council Book page 441 Appears.....	
Wee find an Order of Common Council on the Treasurer of the 23 July 1701 to pay the Bellmen the sum of £24 which with £31 already Order'd is in full of their Sallary due to them as Bellmen for the season foregoing.....	
Wee likewise find an Order of the 13th October following in which it is Order'd to pay to ISaac D Riemer then Mayor the sum of £20 in full of sallary due to the Bellmen ending ye: 25th March last weh wee are of Opinion is a wrong Charge...	20—00—00
	802—14—02½

[202] Brought from ye Other Side.....802—14 —2¼	
Mr D: Riemer as Treasurer Credits the City by £152—8S—8d Reced. of John Vincent for ye £1600 Tax for the City Hall and by his Receipt there Appears to be £160—9 paid soe that he gives Credit for 8—0—4 Short.....	08—00—04
John Vincent Stands Dr for the £1600 tax of the Dock Ward £9—12—1½ for which he has a Note from Capt Provoost the then Mayor on Isaac D: Riemer the then Treasurer which is not Allowed by him he having not given the City Credit for it So that it is Still due to the City.....	09—12—01½
Mr Bartholemew Laroux Collector of the West Ward is indebted on Acct of the £1600 Tax for ye: City Hall 6 Shill 4½ ℔ his Own Acct but he gives in his List of Nonsolvents James Grahams house for 3 Taxes £1—13—2¼ which wee think ought not to be Allowed as A Non solvent..	01—19— 6¾
Phillip Minthorne Collector of the Bowry Division for the £1600 Tax for the City Hall is Dr £6—9—9¾ being three Taxes of George Syndenham which he Returns as Non solvents which Ought not to be allowed.....	06—09—09¾

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Stephen Buckenhoven Collector of the South Ward is indebted on Acct of the £1600 tax the Sum of £1—16—7¼ which he is ready to pay providing he may be discharged.....	01—16— 7¼
Jacobus Goelett and ISaac Kip Executors of ye: Estate of Gerrett Hollar are ready to pay the Ballance due from that Estate to the City for Materialls of the City Hall the sum is.....	04—09—07½
Justice Bush Stands Dr for timber of the City Hall 8S—6d which he saith he bought of Olfert Suert but if Mr Suert will not pay the City for them he will	00—08—06
	835—10—09

MEMORANDUM

if the payment of the Warrant of £24 granted the Bellmen in this Report and the £20—Order'd Mr D: Riemer for the same service together with the Other warrants paid by former Treasurers were Regularly Charged in the City Books wee Could plainly discover the overpayment of Said £20— but most Warrants have been by some of the former Treasurers premiscuously Charged which is the Reason wee Cannot plainly discover that matter all which is humbly submitted

by
Robt Lurting
Samll Bayard
Jacobus Kip

New York 28 Sepbr
1710

[203] City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 3d day of february Anno Dom 1710[-11]

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen.
- John D Peyster
- William Smith
- Johannes Jansen
- samuell Bayard
- Jacobus Kip

Assistants
- Bartholemew Laroux
- John Brevoort
- Cornelius D Peyster
- Anthony Rutgers
- Albert Clock
- Abraham Wendell

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ORDER'D that Alderman Jansen Alderman Bayard and Mr D: Peyster or any two of them be A Committee to imploy workmen and provide Materialls for finishing the great Bridge by the Custom house and Making the same Convenient for the Shiping of and Landing of Merchandize; and also that the same Committee Cause the Wall under the Markett house at the South end of the broad Street near the Dock to be Repaired where the same is wanting.

ORDER'D that there be A bonfire at the Charge of this Corporation on Tuesday next being her Majestys Birth day, that there be so much Wine Expended thereat as the Mayor Shall Direct and that the Treasurer provide the same. ORDER'D also that the Treasurer attend this Court on Saturday next.

WHEREAS several disorders have been lately Committed in this City by Evil disposed Persons who make A Common Practice of going about the Streets thereof in the dead time of Night and breaking and destroying the glass windows of the Inhabitants to their grievious damage against the peace and in Contempt of the Laws, for the better detecting such Evil Practicers it is therefore hereby ORDER'D that whatever Person or Persons hereafter Shall Apprehend or discover any person or persons guilty of Such Offences so that they be Convicted of the same such Person or Persons giving Such Information Shall Receive as a Reward from this Corporation the sum of fourty Shilings to be paid by the Treasurer under the hand and seal of the Mayor.

[204] BY THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

ASSIZE OF BREAD

ORDER'D that the Assize of bread be till further Order as followeth (Vizt)

A White loaf of the finest flower to weigh fourteen ounces for three half pence.

A White loaf of the finest flower to weigh two pounds and three quarters for four pence half penny.

A Wheaten loaf the Coursest bran only taken out and not Otherways to weigh three pounds six ounces for four pence half penny wheat being at four Shilings and Six pence ℔ bushell. and ORDER'D that no Other bread be made for Sale within this City but According to the above Assize (Biskett only Excepted) and ORDER'D that all

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Bakers within the same do take Notice hereof and bake their bread Accordingly. Dated at the City Hall of the Said City the third day of february in the Ninth year of her Majestys Reign Anno Dom̄ 1710

℔ Order of the Mayor and Aldermen

WILL SHARPAS Cl

City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 10th day of february Anno Dom̄ 1710[-11]

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster
William Smith
Edward Blagge
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Laroux
Anthony Rutgers
Cornelius D: Peyster
Albert Clock
Abraham Wendell
} Assistants

The Committee for Viewing the ferry house and bridge at the ferry [205] Report that the Mantle piece in one of the Rooms is broke and that there ought to be A New one in the Room thereof, that they have also Viewed the landing bridge which they find very much out of Repair and too Short by twenty foot, and are of Opinion the same ought to be Repaired and lengthned. it is therefore hereby ORDER'D that the same Committee do procure Materialls and imploy workmen for making the Said New Mantle piece and for Repairing and lengthning the Said Bridge According to the Said Report.

Warrant Issued N° 18

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Mr Thomas Fell or Order the sum of three pounds Current Money of New York it being for Entring the Accts of this Corporation in the New ledger in January last

ORDER'D the Treasurer desire of Capt Willson late Mayor of this City his Acct during his Mayorality and deliver the same to the Next Common Council.

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 3d day of March Anno Dom 1710[-11]

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster
William Smith
Johannes Jansen
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
Albert Clock
Abraham Wendell
} Assistants

The Mayor Rendred an Acct of the Profitts of the Corporation during his Mayorality since the fourteenth day of October last whereby there is due to this Corporation to Ballance Eleaven pounds fifteen Shilings

Resolved that the Common Council of this Corporation do meet at the City Hall of this City at the hour of Nine in the forenoon on the first fryday in Every Month and all persons Concern'd are to take Notice thereof Accordingly.

[206] The following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established & Published and Order'd to be Continue and Remaine in full force and Vertue for three Months from and After the date hereof. (Vizt)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick house without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations of the Markett
Assize of bread to be Established every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acct of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon Summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the dock and Slips

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Law against firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be landed at the Sloughter houses
Law imposing A fine upon Such as refuse to watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys within this City
Law prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common Sewer
Swine prohibited to run at large
Law agt digging holes on the Commons or Cutting Sodds
Law for preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates &c:
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law prohibiting Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys in the City of New York
Law prohibiting Swine to run at large in the Bowry Division
Law for Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City
Law for Regulating the Office of Chamberlain or Treasurer of the City of New York.
Common Council to meet the first fryday in Every Month.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Wensday the 7th day of March Anno Dom 1710[-11]

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
John D: Peyster
Johannes Jansen
Edward Blagge
samuell Bayard
William Smith
Jacobus Kip

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Assistants:
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Brevoort
Abraham Wendell
Albert Clock

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N° 19 Warrant Issued

The Committee for Auditing the Treasurers Acct⁸ Report upon the Treasurers Acct from the fourteenth of October 1706 to the fourteenth of October 1707 in these words following (Vizt) Wee underwritten Auditors of the City Accounts have Examined the Cash Acct of the Treasurer Coll Robert Lurting on the Other side from the fourteenth of October 1706 to the 14th October 1707 with the Vouchers produc'd for discharge thereof are of Opinion that Coll Robert Lurting Ought to have A Warrant granted him for the four several bonfires of that year Amounting in all to the sum of 19li — 12S — 1½d which having Obtained and Endorssed by him to have been discounted in that years acct then there will Remain due to him from the City on the 14th October 1707 the Sum of fifty two pounds Eight Shilings and Six pence which is Submitted by

Saml Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Abra: Wendell

New York 3d March 1710-11

which Report is Approved and Confirmed and ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Said Treasurer for the payment of the Said sum of £19 — 12 — 1½ Pursuant to the same Report.

N° 20 Warrant Issued

The Committee for Auditing the Treasurers Acct⁸ Report upon the said Acct from the fourteenth of October 1707 to the 14th Octobr 1708 in these words following (Vizt) Wee underwritten Auditors of Acct⁸ have Strictly Examined the Cash Acct of the Treasurer Robert Lurting on the Other Side of this our Report with the Vouchers produced by him from the 14th October 1707 to the 14th October 1708 and are of Opinion that he Ought to have A Warrant Granted him for the three several Bonfires of that year Amounting to the sum of fourteen pounds Eight Shilings and four pence half penny which having Obtained and same being Endorssed by him to have been discounted in that years Cash Acct then there will Remain due to the Treasurer to the 14th October 1708 the sum of twenty two pounds Six Shilings and four pence half penny all which is Submitted by

Samu Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Abra: Wendell

N York 1710-11 3d March

which Report is Approved and Confirmed and ORDERD the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the said Treasurer for the payment of the said sum of 14 — 08 — 4½ Pursuant to the same Report.

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N° 21 Warrant Issued

[208] The Committee for Auditing the Treasurers Acct⁸ Report upon the Said Acct from the 14th of October 1708 to the 14th of October 1709 in these words following (Vizt) Wee underwritten Auditors of the City Accounts have Examined the Cash Account of the Treasurer Coll Robert Lurting on the Other side hereof from the 14th October 1708 to the 14th October 1709 with the Vouchers produced for discharge thereof and are of Opinion that the Treasurer ought to have A warrant Granted him for the three several Bonfires of that year Amounting all of them to the sum of fourteen pounds Sixteen Shilings which having Obtained and Endorst by him to have been discounted in that years Cash Acct of his then there will Remain due from the Treasurer to the City on the fourteenth of October 1709 the sum of seaven Shillings and four pence half penny which is Submitted by

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Samll Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Abra: Wendell

which Report is Approved and Confirmed and Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the said Treasurer for the payment of the said sum of fourteen pounds Sixteen Shilings Pursuant to the same Report.

N° 22 Warrant Issued

The Committee for Auditing the Treasurers Acct⁸ Report upon his Acct from the 14th October 1709 to the 14th October 1710 in these words following (Vizt) Wee underwritten Auditors of the City Accounts have Examined the Cash Account of the City Treasurer Coll Robt Lurting from the 14th October 1709 to the 14th October 1710 with the Vouchers produced for discharge thereof, are of Opinion that the Treasurer Ought to have A Warrant Granted him for the two several Bonfires of that year Amounting both to the sum of Nine pounds seaven Shilings and four pence half penny which having Obtain'd and Endorsst by him to have been discounted in that years Acct⁸ then there will Remain due from the Treasurer to the City to the fourteenth of October last the sum of Eighty Nine pounds four Shilings and four pence which is humbly submitted by

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Samll Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Abra: Wendell

which Report is Approved and Confirmed and Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Said Treasurer for the payment of the said sum of 9ll — 7s — 4½d Pursuant to the same Report.

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[209] The Committee for Auditing the Treasurers Acctˢ Report upon his Acct of the Charge and discharge of the first payment of the Six hundred pound Tax in these words following (Vizt) Wee under written Auditors of the City Accounts have Examined the within Account of Coll Robert Lurting Present Treasurer of this City of the first payment of the Six hundred pound Tax with the Vouchers produced by him for discharge thereof and find Remaining in his hands on the fourteenth of October last of that Money the sum of one hundred fourty Eight pounds one Shiling and one penny and are of Opinion that Said Treasurer ought to Call the several City Collectors of that Tax to an Acct if they have not Actually Received more than is paid in by them before the Repealing of that Act, which is humbly submitted by

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samll Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Abra: Wendell

and thereupon it is ORDER'D that the Justices do Require the Collectors of the Said Tax to Appear before them and Account for the Arrears thereof.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on fryday the 6th day of April Anno Dom 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
John D: Peyster
Johannes Jansen
Edward Blagge
Jacobus Kip

Assistants:
Cornelius D: Peyster
Bartholomew Laroux
John Brevort
Albert Clock
Abraham Wendell
Anthony Rutgers

ORDER'D the Treasurer forthwith purchase Eighteen Rush bottom Chairs and an Ovel Table for the use of the Common Council of this Corporation

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The Petition of Richard Harris was read praying leave to lay A drain from his house into the broad Street and to Open the Ground to lay the same and that no body bring in any Other into itt [210] without the Petitioners leave. ORDER'D the Petitioner have leave to lay A drain from his dwelling house through Princes Street into the broad Street at his own Charge he filling up and paving the Street again and that no person do lay any drain into the Petitioners drain without the leave of this Corporation and paying the Petitioner A proportionable part of the Charge he shall be at in Making the said drain.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 10th day of April Anno Dom 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D Peyster
Johannes Jansen
William Smith } ESqrs Aldermen
Jacobus Kip
Bartholemew Laroux
Anthony Rutgers
Abraham Wendell } Assistants

N° 23 Warrant Issued

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Bellmen (Vizt) William Richardson Richard Davis Dirck Cook and Arnout Hendricksen or Order the sum of twenty Six pounds Current Money of New York which with ten pounds they have Already Received Makes thirty Six pounds which is in full of their sallary as Bellmen of this City from the first of November last to the first day of this Instant Month of April

Warrt Issued N° 24th

MEMORANDUM April ye: 13th Andries Douw Scavenger of this City had A Warrant for A Quarter of A years Sallary due and Ending the 11th of March last Pursuant to an Order of Common Council of the 12th of September 1710

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Saturday the 21th day of April Anno Dom 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
John D: Peyster
William Smith
Johannes Jansen
Jacobus Kip

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Assistants:
Bartholemew Laroux
Albert Clock
Anthony Rutgers

ORDER'D A Bonfire be made at the Charge of this Corporation on Monday Next being the Anniversary day of her Majestys Coronation that there be such A quantity of wine as the Mayor shall direct and that the Treasurer provide the same Accordingly

Warrt Issued Nº 25

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Sharpas the sum of ten pounds Current Money of New York it being in full of one half years Sallary as Town Clark of this City due & Ending the fourteenth Instant.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday ye: first day of June 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
John D: Peyster
William Smith
Johannes Jansen
Edward Blagge
Jacobus Kip

Assistants:
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevort
Albert Clock
Abraham Wendell

FORASMUCH as Capt Lancaster Symes one of the Lessee's of the

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Dock of this City has not Cleaned the same According to his promise and Agreement with this Corporation, it is therefore ORDER'D, that the Action agt him at the suit of this Corporation for breach of Covenants now depending in the Supream Court of this Province be brought to tryal in September Term next and that the Recorder have Notice thereof.

ORDER'D that the Widdow of Andries Douw deceased be Continued Scavenger of the Broad Street of this City for one year att Eleaven pounds ℔ Annum to Commence the Eleaventh Instant and that the Mayor Issue his warrants quarterly to the Treasurer for the payment of the same as it becomes due.

Nº 26 Memd. June 11th the Mayor Issued his warrt for 2 — 15 — 0 to Ariantie Douw for a Quarters Sallary as Scavenger of the broad Street due & Ending this day by Order of Common Council Sepbr 12th 1710

[212] THE FOLLOWING LAWS Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established & published and ORDER'D to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof (Vizt)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to keep publick house without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations of the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established Every three Months
Regulations for Carmen.
Masters of Vessells to give Acct of their passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons.
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and Slips
Law against firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed at the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A Fine upon Such as Refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys within this City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive Over the Common sewer

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Swine Prohibited to Run at large
Law agt digging holes on the Commons or Cutting sodds.
Law for Preventing frauds in firewood.
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of Publick Elective Magistrates &c:
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law prohibiting the Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys in the City of New York
Law Prohibiting Swine to Run at large in the Bowry Division
Law for Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City.
Law for Regulating the office of Chamberlain or Treasurer of the City of New York.
Common Council to Meet the first fryday in Every Month.

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Thursday ye: 28th day of June Anno Dom 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster
William Smith
Johannes Jansen
samuell Bayard
} ESqrs Aldermen

[213] Cornelius D: Peyster
Bartholemew Laroux
Albert Clock
Abraham Wendell
} Assistants.

PURSUANT to an Order of his Excellency the Governour and Council made this day Requiring that the Mayor and Corporation of this City do direct that all the Markett houses in this Town Except that at Burgers path be sett apart for the Carpenters to build their Battoes in. it is therefore hereby ORDER'D that all the Markett houses of this City (Except that at Burgers path) be sett Apart for the Conveniency of building the Said Battoes and for no Other use or service whatsoever untill the same be Compleat and finished any former Law Order or Ordinance of this Corporation to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday the Sixth day of July Anno Dom 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
John D: Peyster
Johannes Jansen
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip } ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Laroux
Cornelius D: Peyster
Albert Clock
Anthony Rutgers } Assistants

ORDER'D (Nemine Contra dicente) that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Hendrick Deforeest or Order out of the six hundred pound Tax the sum of ten pounds and two pence half penny Curr: Money of New York it being for glazing the City Hall in October last as appears by his Acc: Audited & allowed

N° 27 Warr: Issued

ORDER'D (Nemine Contra dicente) that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to John Rosevelt or Order out of the six hundred pound Tax the sum of thirteen Shilings and six pence Curr: Money of New York being for painting the Cupulo of the City Hall in November last as Appears by his Acc: Audited and allowed.

N° 28 Warrant Issued

[214] ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Geertruy V: Cortlandt Widdow or Order the sum of four pounds three Shilings Curr: Money of New York being for Boards by her sold & deliver'd to this Corporation in Aug: 1709 & May 1711 as Appears by her Acc: which is Audited & allowed

N° 29

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to William Hobbs Carpenter or Order the sum of three pounds Eighteen Shilings and six pence Curr: Money of New York it being for Rebuilding the Cage Pillory & Stocks in June last as Appears by his Acct. Audited so much thereof being allowed & no more.

N° 30

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr or Order the sum of one pound three Shilings and seaven pence half penny Curr: Money of New York being for Nails by him sold and delivered for the

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building of the Cage &c: of this Corporation in May last as Appears by his Accᵗ Audited and Allowed

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on Fryday the 3ᵈ day of August Anno Domⁱ 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqʳ Mayor
May Bickley ESqʳ Recorder
John D: Peyster
William smith
Johannes Jansen } ESqʳˢ Aldermen
Bartholemew Laroux
John Brevoort
Albert Clock
Anthony Rutgers } Assistants

This Court having no business before them that's finished refer the same till Another Meeting

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Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on fryday the 7ᵗʰ day of September Anno Domⁱ 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqʳ Mayor
May Bickley ESqʳ Recorder
John D: Peyster
William smith
Samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip } ESqʳˢ Aldermen
Bartholemew Le Roux
Anthony Rutgers
Abraham Wendell
Albert Clock } Assistants

Law for Appointing A Markett place in the broad Street.

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and it is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that the North end of the Broad Street between the City Hall of this City and the Cross Street which goes from the Broadway to the Dutch Church be and is hereby Appointed Ordained & Established A publick Markett place of this City in as full and Ample Manner as Other publick Markett places in this City are or lawfully

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Ought to be any former Law of this Corporation to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding.

ORDER'D the Inhabitants in and about the broad street have Liberty to Erect and build Such Stalls and sheds and Other Conveniencys in the broad Street Markett place According to such Regulations and directions as they shall Receive from the Clerk of the Markett for the time being.

The Petition of Marinus Roelefse was read praying A Grant or A Lease of A Tract of Land belonging to this Corporation lying near the Land of Teunis Idese on this Island Containing one hundred & fifty Acres or thereabouts. ORDER'D that Alderman Bayard Alderman Blagge Alderman Kip Mr Rutgers and Mr Wendell or any three of them be A Committee to View the said Land, hear the proposalls and make Report thereof with their Opinions thereon. ORDER'D also that the said Committee Enquire what Incroachments are made upon the Lands of this Corporation by Theunis Idesse and Others and Report the same to this Court.

[216] THE FOLLOWING LAWS *Laws* Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established and published and ORDER'D to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof (Vizt)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to Keep publick houses without Lycense
Surveyors of the City
to Prevent fire
Regulations of the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Account of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and slips
Law against firing Guns in the Street &c:
Law against Killing Cattle any where but at the sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed at the slaughter houses
Law Imposing A Fine upon such as Refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys within this City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars

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Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
Swine Prohibited to Run at large
Law agt Digging holes or Cutting sodds on the Commons
Law for Preventing frauds in firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of publick Elective Magistrates &c:
Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting the Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys in the City of New York
Law prohibiting swine to Run at large in the Bowry Division
Law for Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City
Law for Regulating the Office of Chamberlain or Treasurer of the City of New York
Common Council to Meet the first fryday in Every Month
Law for Appointing A Markett place in the broad Street.

Sepbr 13th 1711

MEMORANDUM this day the Mayor Issued his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Ariantie Douw widow of Adries Douw deceased two pounds fifteen shilings for A Quarters Sallary as Scavenger of the Broad Street Ending the 11th Instant Pursuant to an Order of Common Council of the first of June Last.

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on saturday the 29th day of September Anno Dom 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William smith
Edward Blagge
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
} ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Le Roux
Cornelius D: Peyster
Anthony Rutgers
Abraham Wendell
Albert Clock
} Assistants.

PURSUANT to the Warrants of the Mayor Issued to the Aldermen of each Respective Ward of this City for the Electing this day one

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Alderman one Assistant two Assessors one Collector and one Petty Constable in the five Wards on the south side of the Fresh water and one Alderman one Assistant two Assessors two Collectors two Petty Constables and four surveyors of Highways for the Out Ward of the said City for the Bowry and Harlem Divisions of the said Ward to serve in their Respective Officers for the year Ensueing According to the usage Laws and Ordinances of the said City and Accordingly the same day Return was made thereof at twelve of the Clock at Noon to the Office of Town Clerk under the hands & seals of the Respective Aldermen According to the Tenor of the Aforesaid Warrants as followeth (Viz:)

Dock Ward	samuell Bayard	Alderman
	Albert Clock	Assistant
	Oloffe Teller, Johannes Hardinbrooke	Assessors
	John White	Collector
	David Lyell	Constable
West Ward	William smith	Alderman
	Bartholemew Le Roux	Assistant
	Cornelius Clopper, Jacobus Goelet	Assessors
	John Ellison	Collector
	Nicholas Vangelder	Constable
[218] South Ward	Walter Thong	Alderman
	Cornelius D: Peyster	Assistant
	Johannes Van Geezen, William Jackson	Assessors
	Thomas Statham	Collector
	Robert Nisbit	Constable
North Ward	Jacobus Kip	Alderman
	Anthony Rutgers	Assistant
	Jacob Bennett, Abraham Kip	Assessors
	John Conrad Codweis	Collector
	Gerrett Degrave	Constable
East Ward	Abraham Wendell	Alderman
	John Reade	Assistant
	Joseph Robinson, Abraham Vanhorne	Assessors
	Andries Abramse	Collector
	John Theobalds	Constable

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Out Ward	Edward Blagge	Alderman	
	John Brevoort	Assistant	
	John Ryckman	Assessor	for the Bowry Division
	Richard Moore	Collector	
	Daniell Ebbetts	Constable	
	Jacob Cowenhoven	Surveyors of Highways	
	Folkert Van Hoese		
	Johannes Meyer	Assessor	for Harlem Division
	John Kierse	Collector	
	Abraham Meyer	Constable	
	samson Bensing	Surveyors of Highways	
	zachariah syckells		

A Minute of Council was Read signed by George Clarke ESq^{r} secretary of this Province whereby it Appears that his Excellency the Governour in Council was this day pleased to Appoint Coll Heathcote Mayor and M^{r} Harison Sheriff of this City for the year Ensueing.

The Mayor having Acquainted this Court that M^{r} Robert Lurting the present Treasurer of this Corporation is willing to Resign that Office his private Affairs not allowing him Leasure to Execute the same whereupon samuell Bayard ESq^{r} is by this Court Elected Chamberlain or Treasurer of this Corporation for the year Ensueing.

The Mayor hath Appointed Thomas Statham to be High Constable of this City for the year Ensueing.

[219] Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Munday the 15th day of October Anno Dom̄ 1711

Present Jacobus V: Cortlandt ESq^{r} Mayor &c:
May Bickley ESq^{r} Recorder

William Smith	ESq^{rs} Aldermen
Edward Blagge	
Samuell Bayard	
Jacobus Kip	
Bartholemew Le Roux	Assistants
Cornelius D: Peyster	
John Brevort	
Anthony Rutgers	
Abraham Wendell	
Albert Clock	

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THIS day the Mayor Attended by Coll Caleb Heathcote the Mayor Elect, the Recorder Aldermen Sheriff Assistants Constables and Other Officers of this City about the hour of ten in the forenoon Marched from the City Hall to her Majesties Garrison Fort Anne and waited upon his Excellency the Governour in Council where the said Coll Heathcote was Sworn Mayor and Francis Harison ESq[r] Sheriff of this City for the year Ensueing and also at the same time the said Coll Heathcote May Bickley William smith Edward Blagge Walter Thong samuell Bayard Jacobus Kip and Abraham Wendell were Sworn Justices of the peace of the City and County of New York and his Excellency the Governour delivered unto the aforesaid Mayor sheriff and Justices their Respective Commissions Accordingly. whereupon the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid went from thence to Trinity Church waiting upon his Excellency the Governour and Council where (after Divine service) A sermon was preached to this Corporation suitable to the Occasion by the Reverend M[r] William Vesey Rector of the said Church which ended the Mayor Attended as Aforesaid waited upon his Excellency the Governour to the Fort and from thence proceeded to the City Hall where after the Ringing of three Bells the Commissions of the Mayor and sheriff were published and then they Repaired to the Court Room where the old Mayor deliver'd the Charter the Chair and the seals to the New Mayor who thereupon Resumed the Chair and then the usual Oaths Appointed by Law were Administred unto William smith alderman of the West Ward Edward Blagge Alderman [220] *Alderman* of the Out Ward Walter Thong Alderman of the south Ward samuell Bayard Alderman of the Dock Ward Jacobus Kip Alderman of the North Ward and Abraham Wendell Alderman of the East Ward, Bartholemew Le Roux Assistant of the West Ward Cornelius De Peyster Assistant of the South Ward John Brevort Assistant of the Out Ward Anthony Rutgers Assistant of the North Ward Albert Clock Assistant of the Dock Ward and John Reade Assistant of the East Ward, who tooke their places Accordingly Thomas Statham was also Sworn high Constable of this City for the year Ensueing and the Oath of A Petty Constable was likewise Administred unto Nicholas Vangelder Constable of the West Ward Robert Nisbitt Constable of the south Ward Gerrett Degrave Constable of the North Ward Daniell Ebbetts Constable of the Bowry and Abraham Meyer Constable of Harlem who Received their Staffs from the old Constables who were discharged

The Elected Constables of the East and Dock Wards did not Appear

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ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 16th day of October Anno Domi 1711

Present Caleb Heathcote ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder

ESqrs Aldermen:
William Smith
Edward Blagge
Walter Thong
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Abraham Wendell

Assistants:
Bartholemew Le Roux
Cornelius D: Peyster
John Brevort
Anthony Rutgers
Albert Clock
John Reade

ORDER'D that Alderman Wendell and Mr Reade be A Committee to Agree with four Able men to be the Bellmen of this City from the first day of November Next untill the first day of April following.

[221] Itt is the Opinion of this Court that Mr David Lyell who was Elected into the Office of Constable of the Dock Ward of this City on the 29th day of September last do serve in the Said Office or pay his fine and thereupon the said David Lyell in his proper person Acquainting this Court that he will Rather fine than serve in the said Office it is therefore ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the Dock Ward for the Election of Another sufficient Inhabitant of the said Ward on Tuesday Next to serve in the said Office of Constable for the year Ensueing.

samuell Bayard ESqr was this day sworn Chamberlain or Treasurer of this Corporation for the year Ensueing

ORDER'D the Treasurer demand from all Persons whatsoever all such debts and sums of Money as are due to this Corporation and that upon their Refusal to pay he do prosecute them at Law for the same.

ORDER'D the late Treasurer do deliver to the present Treasurer all such sum and sums of Money Books Papers Bonds writings and Acctš whatsoever as are in his hands belonging to this Corporation whose Receipt to him Shall be A sufficient Warrant and discharge for so doing.

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Order'd that Alderman Bayard Alderman Kip Alderman Wendell and Mr Reade or any three of them be A Committee to Audit all the publick Accts of this Corporation

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to
N° 33 pay to William Sharpas or Order the sum of Eleaven pounds four shilings Curr: Money of New York for half A years sallary as Town Clerk due the 14th Instant and for Pen Ink and paper for one year ending the same time

Order'd that there be A Bonfire at the Charge of this Corporation on the fifth day of November Next being Gunpowder Treason and that the Treasurer do provide all things Nessessary for the same.

Order'd the Treasurer Purchase A tin Box for Containing the Charter of this Corporation

[222] A Law for Increasing the Market

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen & Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and it is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same That from henceforth the Country People who frequent the Market of this Corporation have Liberty to Expose their Meat to sale in the Publick Market by the Joynt or Otherwise as they Shall see Convenient, first paying the fees of the Clerk of the Markett for the same, and that if any flesh be Exposed to sale by the joynt by any Country people before the fees of the Clerk of the Market are paid the same Shall be forfeited to the use of the poor of this City any former Law of this Corporation to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding

Att A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Tuesday the 30th day of October Anno Dom 1711.

Present Caleb Heathcote ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William Smith
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Abraham Wendell } ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Le Roux
Cornelius D: Peyster
Albert Clock
Anthony Rutgers
John Reade } Assistants.

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Alderman Bayard having made Return that Richard Stillwell is Elected Constable of the Dock Ward in the Room of Mr David Lyell, And the Said Richard Stillwell personally Appearing before this Court Acquainted them he was willing to pay his fine rather then serve in the said Office it is therefore ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Alderman of the same Ward for the Election of Another sufficient Inhabitant of your said Ward to serve in the said Office of Constable for the year Ensueing and that the Election be made to morrow

Warrant Issued for 10li

[223] The Committee Appointed to Agree with Bellmen Report they have Agreed with William Richardson Arnout Hendrickse Dirck Cooke and Richard Davis to be the Bellmen of this City from the first of November Next to the first of April following for the sum of thirty Six pounds; ten pounds whereof to be paid in hand and that they be provided with A two hour glass

N° 34

ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay the Said ten pounds to the said Bellmen and that the Treasurer provide them with A Glass

A LAW FOR MARKING OF BREAD

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen & Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and it is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same that from and after the fifteeenth day of November Next Ensueing Every Baker within this City Shall put A mark with the two Letters of his Name upon all the loaf bread he shall Expose to sale within the Said City upon pain of forfeiting all such Bread as Shall be made and Exposed to sale unmarked as Aforesaid to be distributed to the poor of the Said City by Order of the Mayor Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the said City who are hereby Authorized to hear and determine the same.

RESOLVED that Alderman Bayard as Treasurer of this City do send to London for A Standard of Troy weights and scales and Measures for the use of this Corporation and that upon the Delivery thereof this Corporation will pay unto him one hundred and fifty ℔ Cent upon the Prime Cost.

A LAW FOR REGULATING INDENTURES OF APPRENTICESHIP

Forasmuch as Great Inconveniencys have Arisen by Apprentices serving but four years by Reason whereof they are seldom Masters of

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their Trades for Remedy whereof Be it ORDAINED by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and assistants of the City of New York convened in Common [224] Council and it is hereby ORDAINED by the Authority of the same that from henceforth no Merchant Shopkeeper or Handy Craft Tradesman Shall take any Apprentice to teach or Instruct them in their trade or Calling without being bound by Indenture before the Mayor Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the said City and Registred in the Town Clerks Office and not for A less Term than seaven years and at the Expiration of the said Indenture the said Apprentice Shall be made free of the said City by the Master if he have well and truely served him and the Clerk Shall have for Registring each Indenture of Apprenticeship the sum of three Shilings to be paid by the Master of such Apprentice bound as aforesaid and that all Indentures of Apprenticeship hereafter to be made within this City Contrary to the true Intent and Meaning hereof shall be Void and of None Effect any former Law of this Corporation to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding

ORDER'D the Oath of A Freeman be Alter'd Accordingly

ORDER'D the Treasurer procure from the Printer a Book of the Laws of this Corporation for Every Member of this Court at the Charge of this City

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the said City on fryday the second day of November Anno Dom̄ 1711

Present Caleb Heathcote ESq^{r} Mayor
May Bickley ESq^{r} Recorder

William Smith	ESq^{rs} Aldermen
samuell Bayard	
Jacobus Kip	
Abraham Wendell	
Baltholemew Le Roux	Assistants
Cornelius D: Peyster	
Albert Clock	
John Reade	

[225] Alderman Bayard of the Dock Ward Returns that thomas Kearney is Elected Constable of the Said Ward who Refuses to serve in that Office but Rather pay his fine. ORDER'D that the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the said Alderman for Election of Another Constable to Morrow and that in Case any Other person that Shall hereafter be

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Elected in the said Office of Constable do refuse to serve that then the Mayor or Recorder do from time to time Issue their Warrants to the said Alderman for the Electing A Constable in the said Ward as often as there Shall be Occasion at such time and place as the said Mayor or Recorder Shall Appoint

ORDER'D that Mr Rutgers and Mr Clock be A Committee to Imploy workmen and purchase Materialls for Repairing the Mantle piece at the ferry house and for Making such Other Nessessary Repairs on the said house as James Harding the Lessee of the ferry is not Obliged to perform by his Lease and make Report thereof to the Next Common Council

Warrant Issued N° 35

ORDER'D the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Benjamin Barnes or Order the sum of Nine pounds twelve Shilings and ten pence three farthings Current Money of New York it being for three quarters of A years sallary as Martiall of this City due and Ending the fourteenth of October last, for two Journeys to Harlem and for Candles for the Watch from the sixteenth of May last to the first Instant as Appears by his Acct. which is Audited and Allowed.

ORDER'D that the Treasurer Appoint workmen to Repair the Steps and Other small Repairs wanting in the City Hall.

MEMORAND. on the 3d Instant Alderman Bayard Returned John Troop Elected Constable of the Dock Ward. who on the 6th Instant was Sworn Constable of the said Ward in General Quarter sessions

[226] City of New York } SS

ATT A Common Council held at the City Hall of the Said City on Fryday ye: 30th day of November Anno Dom 1711

Present Caleb Heathcote ESqr Mayor
May Bickley ESqr Recorder
William smith
samuell Bayard
Jacobus Kip
Abraham Wendell
} ESqrs Aldermen
Bartholemew Le Roux
Cornelius D: Peyster
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John Reade
} Assistants.

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The Treasurer Delivered to this Court his Bond for the due performance of his Office, Executed Mr Phillip Cortlandt being his security which is Approved & Order'd the same Bond be lodged with the Mayor.

Warrant Issued N° 36

Order'd the Mayor Issue his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to the Reverend Mr William Vesey Rector of Trinity Church in this City the sum of five pounds Current Money of New York it being for preaching A sermon to this Corporation on the fourteenth day of October last being the Anniversary day of Swearing the Mayor Aldermen Assistants Sheriff and Other publick Officers of this City

The Following Laws Orders and Ordinances of this Corporation were this day made Ordained Established & Published and Order'd to be Continue and Remain in full force and Vertue for three Months from and after the date hereof. (Vizt)

For the Observation of the Lords day
Concerning Strangers
None to keep publick houses without Lycence
Surveyors of the City
To Prevent fire
Regulations of the Markett
Assize of Bread to be Established Every three Months
Regulations for Carmen
Masters of Vessells to give Acct of their Passengers
Common Council to Appear upon summons
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Freemen and Apprentices
Laws and Orders for the Government of the Dock and slips
[227] Law against firing Guns in the Streets &c:
Law agt Killing Cattle any where but at the Sloughter houses
Cattle to be Landed at the Sloughter houses
Law Imposing A Fine upon Such as Refuse to Watch
Law for Cleaning the Streets Lanes and Alleys within this City
Law Prohibiting Hawkers and Pedlars
Carmen not to drive over the Common sewer
swine Prohibited to Run at large
Law agt digging holes or Cutting Sodds on the Commons
Law for preventing frauds in Firewood
Law for Supplying the Vacancy of Publick Elective Magistrates &c:

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Aldermen Authorized to put the Laws in Execution
Officers to be Observent in the Execution of the Laws
Law Prohibiting the Sweeping the Streets in time of Rain
Guagers Packers and Cullers
Law for Paving the Streets Lanes and Alleys in the City of New York
Law prohibiting Swine to Run at large in the Bowry Division
Law for Removing the Posts out of the Streets of this City
Law for Regulating the Office of Chamberlain or Treasurer of the City of N: York
Common Council to meet the first Fryday in Every Month
Law for Appointing A Markett place in the broad Street.
A Law Appointing A place for the more Convenient hiring of Slaves

A Law Appointing A Place for the More Convenient hiring of Slaves.

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Assistants of the City of New York Convened in Common Council and it is hereby Ordained by the Authority of the same That all Negro and Indian slaves that are lett out to hire within this City do take up their Standing in Order to be hired at the Markett house at the Wall Street Slip untill Such time as they are hired, whereby all Persons may Know where to hire slaves as their Occasions Shall require and also Masters discover when their Slaves are so hired and all the Inhabitants of this City are to take Notice hereof Accordingly.

Memorandum December ye: 13th 1711 the Mayor Issued
N° 37 his Warrant to the Treasurer to pay to Ariantie Douw Widdow the sum of two pounds fifteen Shilings Current Money of New York in full of A Quarter of A years Sallary as Scavenger of the broad Street due and Ending the 11th Instant by Vertue of an Order of Common Council the 12th of September 1710

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